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Whizzer
on the
white stuff.
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'An owl shriek'd
at my birth,
an evil sign.'

WM. SHAKESPEARE
HENRY VI



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snow
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much.
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Over the banks, through the drifts to deliver the goods they slog

By ALISON ALOISIO

Where'd they hide the filler pipe?
And the mailbox?

That's the question home fuel deliverymen and rural mail carriers have been asking in the winter of 2001.

With some three feet of snow on the ground for the past month, it's been tough going for the people delivering the heat and the letters.

The Maingas propane company, based in Fryeburg, has had to postpone deliveries for some customers when the snow was just too deep for deliverymen to wade through, according to a customer service representative.

And while oil companies may have it a little easier — the fill pipes are next to the house rather than on a tank out in the yard — it can still be a long hike in with a heavy oil hose.

"Your legs get tired quickly," said Jim Young of Brooks Bros., who has delivered oil for many years. In previous winters, delivery to one home in Newry meant using a stepladder to get up to the fill pipe. This year, said Young, "we had to reach down from the eaves," to get to the pipe.

The extra effort also requires extra time. "It cuts down on the number of stops a day," he said.

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Now *that's* looking over your shoulder



A saw-whet owl in Greenwood waits for someone to take up its offer to help with the snow-blowing chores. (M. Daniels)

Board takes no stand on housing plan

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Split in its own view of the idea, the Bethel Board of Selectmen has opted not to send a letter to the state, either in support of or opposing a proposal to build sustainable housing on a parcel of land in Bethel Station.

The 12-unit housing project has been put forward by Community Concepts, a social service agency with offices in Lewiston and South Paris. The organization requested that the town selectmen write the Maine State Housing Authority in support of the plan.

At a selectmen's meeting last month, the board tabled the matter until more could be learned about the plan. Meeting again last week, they decided to leave it to the Planning Board.

But Chairman Dutch Dresser opened the discussion in favor of a letter, one which expressed support for Community Concepts but not of the site chosen for the project.

Terming the plan "a lousy idea," Dresser said the town would be better served by Bethel Station being used for other things.

"That set of lots down there is a tremendous asset to the town. It has the potential to be something pretty special." He suggested sending "a letter to the state saying we're in favor of Community Concepts but this location isn't ideal for the long-term development of the town."

He acknowledged the board had no formal authority in the matter,

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Local skier takes Junior World moguls title

By ALISON ALOISIO

Marty Odlin of Newry, a 2000 Gould Academy graduate, earned a spot on the U.S. Freestyle Ski Team Saturday by winning the Junior World moguls championship.

Odlin, 19, won the championship competing against moguls skiers from around the world in Prague, the Czech Republic. His win qualifies him to compete in the U.S. Olympic trials in December. Skiers who make the Olympic team will compete in the 2002 games in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Odlin began competing in freestyle skiing when he was 11, and has trained since then with the Gould/Sunday River program. GSR

coach Jeff Ying Ling accompanied Odlin to Prague.

Odlin's win also automatically qualified him to compete in the freestyle World Cup, which was slated for Sunday, March 11, in Helsinki, Finland. Weather delays, however, prevented him from flying to the competition.

He is the son of Jim and Terry Odlin, and is a freshman at Dartmouth College. He is currently taking the winter trimester off to compete.

Jim Odlin said his son will return to school for the spring semester, and will then train through the summer and fall in preparation for the Olympic trials.

Polio can't keep Waterford's Whizzer Wheeler off the slopes

By REBECCA ZICARELLI

Whizzer Wheeler, of Waterford, will be one of the volunteers at the Ski-A-Thon. He knows just how important the benefit is.

Wheeler had polio when he was sixteen. Last year, at the age of 61, he finally found a physical activity he could improve at. He began skiing at Sunday River as a student of Maine Handicapped Skiing.

Each Tuesday, Wheeler volunteers for the program, driving a snowmobile. Fridays, he's out on the slopes as a student.

"I love it," he said. "Nobody has a handicap here. It's a whole new world."

Wheeler watched his son grow up without being able to do the typical things fathers and sons do. They never played baseball, never climbed a mountain. "Our son has always known me as a handicapped father," he said.

A few weeks ago all that changed. "For the first time in our lives, we did something together. We skied."

Wheeler's wife, Meg, said, "It's made a huge difference in my husband's outlook. It's very satisfying to see him empowered and enabled rather than increasingly limited due to his physical handicap."

"He comes here and gets better, where the normal course of post-polio is to get worse. The only trouble is now we can't go away in the winter."

Being a student also makes Wheeler a better volunteer. "I identify with the other students. I know the things that an instructor might not pick up on."

Wheeler is among a group of volunteers who have been educating Maine doctors about the benefits Maine Handicapped Skiing offers to patients.

"Most doctors have no idea what this program is about," Wheeler said. He believes that doctors need to know that their patients who are vision and hearing impaired, or have cerebral palsy or spina bifida can participate in a physically demanding sport with

MHS Ski-A-Thon is Saturday
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Analysts: Ski Corp. will need more strong winters

Associated Press

It will take several more years and plenty of good winters for ASC to dig itself out of its deficit hole, analysts say.

Newry-based ASC recently announced a \$10.4 million second-quarter loss, a noteworthy improvement over the same quarter last year, in which it lost \$15.1 million.

ASC's ability to generate revenues is key to its survival, said Phelps Hoyt, an analyst with KDP Investment Advisors in Montpelier, who has revised upward his estimates for the company's upcoming quarters.

One good season in New England won't turn the company around. Some observers predicted it would take about three winters like this one for the company to improve its position.

"It would take at least two more seasons, and in New England that's a stretch," said Mary McKhann, managing editor of The Snow Industry Letter, based in Waitsfield, Vt.

"Of critical importance is going to be the February, March and April results," said Edwin Fowler, an analyst with LPL Financial who is based in Killington and has followed ASC closely. "If April is a

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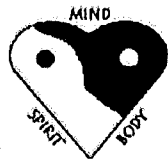
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Letters

CONFIRMING E-911 ADDRESSES

To the Editor:

The Town Office is asking for help from Bethel residents over the next few weeks. The much-anticipated "E-911" system for emergency fire/police/ambulance calls is about to be implemented across Maine. When operational, the system will allow an emergency dispatcher to identify the exact origin of a 911 call, even if the caller is unable to speak or does not know his or her address.

Amazingly, the Oxford West Telephone Company does not yet know all the physical addresses (e.g. 155 Intervale Road) for the several thousand active phone numbers it maintains in Bethel. This is where the Town Office comes in.

The town has been tasked with assigning physical addresses for all structures and accompanying phone numbers. To date, approximately 50 percent of local phone numbers have been correlated to physical addresses. This rate is consistent with other Maine communities.

In the next week or so, Oxford West will be mailing a simple verification form and postage-paid return envelope to the billing address of every active phone in Bethel. Customers are being asked to either confirm an address already assigned or fill in the blank for physical address of the stated phone number. In either case, it is imperative that customers return the verification form to Oxford West as soon as possible. If any resident does not know the physical address for his or her location, please call the Town Office and ask for it.

We anticipate a deluge of phone calls in this matter, so be prepared to leave name and number so that someone may return the call, daytime or evening. An equally good alternative for contacting the Town Office is via e-mail at Marcia@bdc.bethel.me.us

Phones not verified for a physical address will display an "address unknown" message to dispatchers in the event a 911 call is placed from that phone in the future. While the process to assign addresses to phone numbers will be ongoing, now is the best time to insure that a phone number is properly correlated to an address.

Scott G. Cole
Bethel Town Manager

GATEWAY FUNDRAISING KICK-OFF

To the Editor:

The Board of Directors of The Mahoosuc Land Trust have announced a capital campaign to raise funds to pay the mortgage on the recently acquired parcel of land on Route 26 just south of Bethel Village. Known as The Gateway Extension, the 4.1-acre parcel lies adjacent to the original Gateway property purchased by the Trust in 1995. The new parcel currently is home to a stand of white pines and has in the recent past been used as a hay field. The Trust is seeking to raise \$45,000 for purchase and stewardship of the property and has already received \$20,000 of that total from board members and friends. Pledges and donations are being sought to reach the goal.

One very exciting funding mechanism involves the raffling of a limited edition Rangeley Skiff built in 1980 by Jon Capozza of Androscoggin Boat Works in Wayne and restored in 1999 by master canoe builder Rolin Thurlow of Atkinson (see photo, page 8). Fourteen and one-half feet in length, the cedar-planked and canvas-covered craft is complete with two pairs of oars made by Shaw & Tenney of Orono and two sets of bronze oarlocks. Thurlow says in a letter to the Trust, "this boat makes an excellent rowing boat that any fisherman would be comfortable in or any family could use for a family outing." The value of the skiff has been estimated at \$4,500.

A display depicting the boat is available for viewing in the Community Window of the Wild River Realty office at the head of Main Street. Tickets may be purchased at the Mahoosuc Land Trust office, Wild River Realty, Sunday River Inn or from any MLT board member. The Trust plans to have the actual boat on display at various festivals throughout the spring, summer and fall with the drawing scheduled to take place at the Trust's annual meeting in October.

Steve Wight
Newry

PRESCHOOL ART SHOW THANKS

To the Editor:

The Mahoosuc Arts Council would like to thank the Bethel Inn and Country Club for hosting the Preschool Art Show on Saturday, March 3. The 50 preschoolers who displayed their 2D, 3D, collage, drawing and painting projects were thrilled and excited to show off their works of art to members of the community.

Special thanks to Arla Patch and the volunteers who helped to hang and display the art work: Pat Blakeslee, Judy and Sarah Hills, Wendy McInerney, Mattie and Malcolm Seamans, Manne, Grace and George Connors, Cindy Mills, Martha Katlin, Rolande Waterhouse, Cyndy Kane Olson, Beth Clarke and Sevena Williams.

The Artist-in-Residency project was made possible through a grant from the Oxford County Preschool Enrichment Trust. The grant allowed Arla Patch to work with the West Bethel Children's Center, Mahoosuc Montessori School and Bethel preschool students.

Paula Wheeler
Mahoosuc Arts Council

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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WING TAKES SHRUBS

To the Editor:

Hollering "stop" at Woodstock snow plow to save our flower gardens seemed like the thing to do at the time. Snow Plow did stop. Then it went away for the night. Next day, Snow Plow returned with wing down and flower-gardens-are-going attitude. And I imagine it's only going to get worse.

The amount of snow isn't a factor to this problem.

Percy Monk was road foreman for years. The public road was cleared of snow and our flower gardens were never destroyed.

Gerald Gammon
Pinhook

CANDIDATE FOR SELECTMAN

To the Editor:

On March 31, I am going to run for selectman in Greenwood.

I'm retired and have the time to be of service to the town. I was in the floor-covering business for 30 years. I was in fire and rescue for 25 years, and spent five years as fire chief. I have lived in Greenwood for 12 years. I think that I can do a good job as selectman.

Fred D. Henderson
Greenwood

Deliveries

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BUT CAN YOU GET HERE FROM THERE?—The slogan on the Swain Travel sign in Bethel says, "You can get there from here." Going anywhere this winter to deliver oil or gas has been a challenge for deliverymen such as Jim Young of Brooks Bros.

(Photo by Alison Aloisio)

Jack Brooks has helped his deliverymen play catchup by making some deliveries himself. Brooks is less familiar with customers' homes, so it took a while to find the often-buried fill pipes. "I'd spend 20 minutes wandering around," he said, sometimes having to call the customer to get directions.

Although Brooks doesn't require customers to keep a path cleared to the pipes, the drivers appreciate when they do. "Some religiously do a path," said Brooks.

When he got a couple of "no heat" calls one evening, he arrived at the two locations to find the residents shoveling a path.

Brooks and his employees are ready for spring. "I keep looking at the calendar and figure (winter's) going to be over," he said.

The mail must go through

Out on the mail route, "it's been a tougher year," said carrier Barry Swasey, who delivers the mail to Upton and the Bear River area of Newry. Swasey has been a carrier since 1985.

For the most part, he said, postal customers have done a good job keeping a path to their mailboxes clear. But as plow trucks struggle to keep the roads cleared, the mailboxes often suffer. Just as a resident would clear out a box, "the plow comes along and plugs it up again," said Swasey.

In a couple of cases, he was unable to deliver the mail. "If you don't get your mail for a couple of days, call," he advises, to see if the carrier couldn't get through. Sometimes well-meaning customers will shovel a narrow path to the box — great if the

carrier is on foot, but useless to a four-wheeled mailman trying to pull over and reach the box from the vehicle.

Dan Chartier delivers the mail in Andover. He's gotten stuck a couple of times this winter trying to pull up to a box. His four-wheel-drive vehicle dropped off the pavement and was pulled into the snowbank, he said. If he can't get to a box, he usually leaves a note asking the owner to shovel out.

If mailboxes are not kept clear regularly, a hard mound of snow will build up in front of it, said Jerry Greenwell, rural carrier in Newry. The mound is left behind when a plow swerves out around the box, he said.

A good rule of thumb for postal customers, said Greenwell, is if they can't get to the box by car, the carrier probably can't, either.

Housing

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but he argued a letter to MSHA might give the agency second thoughts about providing funding for the project.

"I don't think we have any teeth to prevent anything in the world from going in down there," he said, but "I think if we make a statement to the state that 'we're all in favor of the project somewhere else, Please don't fund it at this time,' they might listen to us."

Selectman Don Bennett said he leaned toward Dresser's view of the matter, but fellow board members Reggie Brown and Bob Everett did not. (Al Barth, who did not attend the meeting, was opposed, Dresser told the board.)

"I don't think it's a lousy idea," Brown said. "It's a Planning Board issue and I think we ought to stay

out of it. They have a set of rules and regulations to work with.

Everett argued the project, and the tax revenues it would generate, were needed.

"I don't see anybody standing in line to put anything else in down there," he said. "It's going to raise money. Right now we've got nothing down there."

All the selectmen agreed that most of the public comment they have heard about the plan has been negative. "I haven't heard anyone say anything positive about it said Brown, "There's people out there who don't want it to happen."

But Everett questioned the validity of the reasons that led people to oppose the proposal.

"I've had people tell me reasons, and I just go 'yeah, yeah, yeah,' and let it go at that," he said.

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BOB EVERETT,
Selectman, on opposition to subsidized housing in Bethel Station

ASC

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big month, it's going to make a big difference."

"Last year we had a very abrupt end to the ski season," said ASC's Chief Financial Officer Mark Miller during a conference call with analysts last week.

ASC's stock price closed at \$1.08 Friday, off its 52-week high of \$2.94 by 63 percent.

The company has not noticed a drop-off in skiers because of the softening economy, Miller said.

ASC owns Sunday River and Sugarloaf USA in Maine, Killington, Sugarbush and Mount Snow in Vermont, and Attitash in New Hampshire. It also owns resorts in three other western states.

In December ASC announced

plans to merge with MeriStar, a hotel-and-resort management company.

The new company will be known as Doral International. Les Otten, ASC's founder, will serve as Doral's chairman. Otten described the combined company as "a new leader in the year-round leisure business."

Our Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN BROWN

10 years ago: West Paris voters authorized the board of selectmen to assume the duties of the road commissioner.

The SAD44 board of directors abandoned its attempt for a "no local tax increase" budget, adopting a budget that was \$50,106 less than the previous year but requiring a 4.95 percent increase locally because of a reduction of state funds.

Peter Hemot, 54, of Newbury, Mass. died as a result of injuries received when he lost control while skiing the Right Stuff trail at Sunday River. Reportedly he struck a tree and landed on rocks in a small stream.

Crescent Park School Principal David Murphy was invited to give a presentation on the school's Million Minutes of Reading Program to the state board of education.

The Oxford County Regional Solid Waste Corporation was to distribute bright blue 18-gallon recycling containers to 1,000 area households.

Deaths: Pauline L. Lawrence, Arnold Childs, Helen Schwind, Alice C. Littlehale, Margaret H. Hutchinson.

20 years ago: Dr. Wayne F. Gersen, superintendent of schools, unveiled a preliminary building proposal outline to the SAD44 board of directors. The proposal included a new elementary school in Woodstock, renovation of the Andover Elementary School and the construction of an addition at Crescent Park to accommodate the students attending Ethel Bisbee School which would be closed.

The Sunday River correspondent was starting to see sap buckets on trees. "Must be people are getting hungry for maple syrup."

Telstar ski team members Robby James, Jill O'Donnell, Chris Mills, Bryan O'Donnell and Heidi Burk participated in the alpine ski championships.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Stearns of Rumford Corner observed their 49th wedding anniversary.

Deaths: William A. Bartlett, Bernice E. Heath.

30 years ago: Pupils of the Area Head Start class had an opportunity to see how shoes were made when they toured the Bethel Shoe Co. (Now the location of the SAD44 maintenance garage.)

Joseph O. Gnuender of the Sunday River Skiway Corp. received a green beret from Col. Reginald W. Woodard, 10th Special Forces Group commanding officer, Fort Devens, Mass. as a token of appreciation for his help with the 10th SFG Biathlon.

Death: Julia M. Moore.

40 years ago: Bethel Laundromat opened on upper Main Street. The building was razed in the early 1970s, making way for a new Bethel Savings Bank building (now Northeast Bank).

Kevin Bean, five year old son of Sonny and Berta Bean, was seriously injured on Paradise Hill. While sliding from the driveway of his home, he apparently slid into the side of a car operated by Harold Rich of Bethel.

Pvt. James Whynought of the Gore Road was spending a 20-day leave at home. He was to return to the USS Boxer to make a trip around the world.

Births: Shawn Francis Carroll, Richard Dale Chase, Eric Scott Berry.

Death: Ruth Buck Bonvie.

50 years ago: Lt. Col. Vincent M. Witter was awarded a Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in Korea.

A week of normal March weather was being experienced. A little rain and snow, two very warm days, followed by clouds and six inches of heavy snow, more or less.

Paced by Paul Bartlett's 14 points, the Gould sophomores defeated the juniors 39-33 for the school's interclass basketball crown.

Birth: David Joseph McKenna.

Deaths: Addie Vandekerckhoven, Etta Perkins, Owen L. Peabody, Isaac Childs, Cora Chapman, Mildred D. Smith, Elizabeth A. Foster, Edward L. Irish, Howard G. Dunn, Henry J. Bemis, Joseph H. Morton.

100 years ago: Bethel received eight inches of snow.

The Rev. Arthur Varley of Berlin, N.H., was preaching at the Bethel Congregational Church.

Nine students from Dummer and Milan, N.H., were students at Gould Academy for the spring term.

H.M. Farwell was closing his grocery business in Bethel.

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Briefly

Wight endorsed for LURC

AUGUSTA—After a four-and-a-half hour hearing Tuesday, a legislative committee endorsed Gov. Angus King's nomination of Steve Wight of Newry to another term on the Land Use Regulation Commission. The Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee's 8-3 vote, with two absent, sends the matter to the Senate, which must decide whether to accept or reject the recommendation. The Sportsmen's Alliance of Maine has been lobbying hard to defeat the reappointment of Wight. The alliance took issue with a vote cast by Wight against a boat launching facility at John's Bridge along the Allagash River. Wight said he was seeking to protect the unique character of the Allagash Wilderness Waterway. Wight has voted on 623 applications since joining the board 13 years ago, but those trying to torpedo his appointment were basing their opposition on only three of the votes, said Kay Rand, King's chief of staff. Another decision that drew criticism from Wight opponents concerned the Passamaquoddy Indian tribe's application to develop a high-stakes bingo facility in Albany. Jeff Rosenblatt of Albany called LURC's vote "illegal and unfair." Wight voted to permit construction of the hall.

Truck accident spills fuel in river

BETHEL—A tractor-trailer accident on Route 2 in West Bethel Tuesday night spilled approximately 200 gallons of diesel fuel. The truck slid partially into the Pleasant River. The driver, Robert Burgess, 49, of Orland was not hurt and was able to climb out. The road was blocked from about 5:30 to 11 p.m. Burgess was traveling east when he lost control, spun 180 degrees and slid down the road before hitting the bridge just west of the Pleasant River Motel. The fuel tanks ruptured and spilled fuel into the river and on the ice. The Maine Department of Environmental Protection was called to clean up the spill.

Bennett to run for Congress again

NORWAY—State Sen. Rick Bennett (R-Norway) has announced he will seek the Republican nomination for Congress in Maine's Second District. Bennett, currently president pro tempore of the state Senate, said education, better international trade and an improved transportation system are keys to a successful economic future for the Second District. This will be his second campaign for Congress. In 1994, he lost to current Congressman John Baldacci, 45.7 percent to 40.7 percent in the race to succeed Olympia Snowe as representative. He will become president of the state Senate Dec. 5. Bennett, 37, is the youngest member of that body. A 1986 graduate of Harvard University, he is currently completing an MBA at the University of Southern Maine. His wife, Karen, is an occupational therapist. They have two children.

Transfer hours change delayed

BETHEL—The date to begin extended hours of operation of the transfer station has been delayed because the town has been unable to hire a part-time person to cover the facility, according to Scott Cole, town manager. Bethel, Newry and Hanover approved a tri-town agreement to share the station late last year. The towns moved their recycling stations from locations that had been accessible to the public at any time. The new arrangement offers limited hours. The board overseeing the station had planned to extend the hours beginning March 14. They will continue to advertise the position, and hope to change the hours in April.

Jasmine headed to rescue group

BETHEL—A Rottweiler that had been scheduled for euthanization following an incident with a guide dog has been placed with Northeast Rottweiler Rescue, according to Ozzie Hart, animal control officer for Bethel. The Rottweiler, Jasmine, owned by Ryan and Brenda Wodka, allegedly went after Lynn Courtney's guide dog last November. The Wodkas and others who know Jasmine testified in court she behaves in a friendly way toward strangers and other dogs. Brenda Wodka said her dog probably intended to play with the guide dog. The court judgment, however, determined Jasmine had "worried" the guide dog, making it difficult for her to do her job. During a half-hour period in which Brenda Wodka was interviewed by the Citizen in January, the dog behaved in a friendly way to the reporter and passersby outside Wodka's home on Church Street. Hart said, however, there had been a previous complaint that Jasmine had been running at large and chased a jogger on the street. The dog will now be observed by NRR personnel and retrained if needed, Hart said. She will then be placed in another home, probably out-of-state.

Central office gets raises

BETHEL—The SAD44 School Board Monday approved 3.5 percent raises for each of the next three years for the district's central office staff. Included in the agreement were Bruce Powell (business manager), Burnie Rice (transportation and building & grounds supervisor), Robin Gundersen (administrative assistant), Wendy Hanscom (secretary), Cindy Moxcey (accountant), Peter Kuzyk (technology coordinator), Flossie Kenzierski (food services supervisor). The board approved the agreement unanimously.

Homework workshop rescheduled

BETHEL—The Promising Futures homework workshop originally scheduled for Jan. 11 has been rescheduled for Thursday, March 22. Parents of K-12 students may participate in the forum with Greg Fortier of the National Center for Student Aspirations. The session will generate discussion regarding parent involvement in homework, what constitutes meaningful homework and what part homework should play in overall grades. The workshop begins at 7 p.m. in the Telstar library. techniques.

Baseball/softball registration

BETHEL—Placements for the Bethel Rec Baseball/Softball Program will take place March 24 at the Gould Academy gymnasium. Baseball placements are scheduled for 8 to 11 a.m., and softball is 1 to 2 p.m. The coaches will assess each child and recommend a playing level. Registration forms are now available at the Town Office. They must be returned to the Town Office on or before March 24, along with a copy of the child's birth certificate or other proof of birth. There is a registration fee of \$10 per player or \$15 per family for Bethel residents. Non-residents pay \$15 per player or \$25 for a family. A late fee of \$10 will be charged after March 25. Registrations cannot be accepted after April 6 unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Career week next week

BETHEL—During the week of March 19, more than 100 Telstar juniors and seniors will be excused from school to participate in the annual Career Exploration Week program. The students job shadow or work with employers in SAD44, Oxford County and at worksites throughout Maine, New England and the U.S. Seniors may choose a community service option instead.

Local student tours with singers

ORONO—Jeff Hallowell of West Paris, a student at the University of Maine, will spend a week of spring break touring with the 66-member University Singers. The annual New England tour will include performances in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, culminating with an informal concert at Notre Dame Cathedral in Montreal, Quebec. The tour program features the performance of "Holocaust Cantata" by Donald McCullough. The cantata is based on stories and music written by persons incarcerated in concentration camps.

From the Bethel Police Log:

The family that drives together ...

At 6:40 p.m. on March 8 police stopped a subject on Route 2 for erratic operation. James T. Turner, 46, of Center Lovell was given field sobriety tests and a breath test and charged with OUI. Police stopped another vehicle at the same time for erratic operation. The driver, Thomas D. Turner, 51, of Center Lovell (brother of the first subject) was given field sobriety tests and a breath test and charged with OUI.

Wednesday, March 7

At 11:30 p.m. police stopped a subject on Route 2 for erratic operation. Arthur Bayiates, 38, of Arlington Mass. was given field sobriety tests and a breath test, and was arrested for OUI. His two passengers, Francis Hanrahan, 37, and Edward Landry, 35, both of Somerville, Mass., were summonsed for consuming alcohol in a motor vehicle while on a public way.

Friday, March 9

At 12:04 p.m. police observed a vehicle operating without lights and drifting. The subject was stopped and given field sobriety tests and then a breath test. Jesika Macias of Bethel, 22, was summonsed for OUI.

Saturday, March 10

At 4:02 p.m. a vehicle was involved in a two-car accident at a Route 2 business. The subject left the scene and was detained by the liquor enforcement officer, Peter F. Sweeney, 49, of Jeffersonville, Vt., was summonsed for the offense.

Sunday, March 11

At 6:15 p.m. police assisted Bethel Rescue in locating a tour bus on the Sunday River Rd., for a passenger who had cut herself. The officer advised Rescue of the location.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists all cases of adults being arrested or issued a criminal summon, but does not include all reports of other police activity. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

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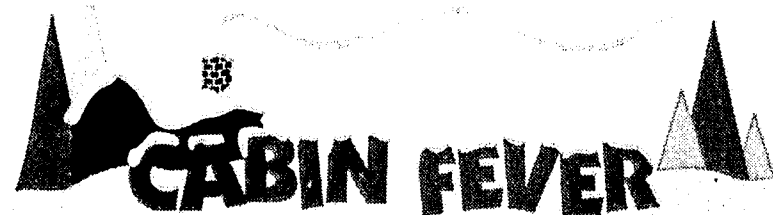
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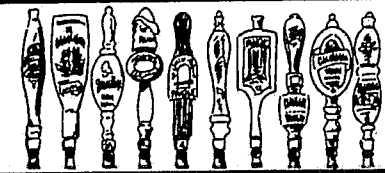
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Whizzer

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the support and adaptive equipment that the program offers. "If we come to fruition, we'll double or triple the students."

But a look around the lodge, located just beyond South Ridge, raises concerns about that. The room is bursting with students, their family members, volunteers,

and equipment. Contributed goods for the Ski-A-Thon are pouring into the building, piling up in corners and the basement. The parking lot is full to overflow, with cars parked out on the street.

More students will need more adaptive equipment, more space, more parking. But Wheeler is un-

daunted. MHS has given him a chance to experience moving in a way he hasn't dreamed he could since polio took away his physical freedom. He wants to share the gift with others.

"We're on the cusp of growing. That's why the Ski-A-Thon is so important," Wheeler said.



DUAL WHEELER
Whizzer Wheeler, of Waterford, skis into Southridge Lodge after a successful run on a dual ski. The aid of volunteers, such as Dick Fecteau of Manchester, and adaptive equipment, enables Wheeler to ski despite the crippling effects of polio. Wheeler is one of the 200 students at Maine Handicapped Skiing. He is also a volunteer, and will be working at the Ski-A-Thon Saturday.
(Photo by Rebecca Zicarelli)

Sixteenth Ski-A-Thon Saturday

By REBECCA ZICARELLI

Maine Handicapped Skiing will hold the 16th annual Ski-A-Thon March 17 at Sunday River Ski Resort and the Sunday River Inn. The event is one of the largest fundraisers in Maine. Last year, over a half-million dollars was raised.

To enter the event, five-member teams must raise a minimum of \$600 in pledges. The teams can compete in events for downhill skiing, snowboarding, and cross-country skiing.

Prizes include ski vacations at Sunday River and other ASC resorts, equipment, and apparel. An hourly raffle will be held throughout the day at the North Ridge lodge.

Registered team members receive an event T-shirt, a lift pass or cross-country pass for the day, and a goody bag featuring a number of gifts from Maine businesses including Thom's of Maine and Fresh Samantha.

Participants will also receive meals for the day. Breakfast will be served at the Grand Summit Hotel Ballroom. Lunch will be served at a number of locations at the mountain and at the Sunday River Inn.

A banquet dinner will be served at the Grand Summit Hotel Ballroom, followed by an award ceremony and dancing to the Bone Heads, a Portland-based band.

Special events throughout the day include a fun race, with participants racing against a clown, and an obstacle course at the Grand Summit Slope side.

Wendy Iseman, Director of Development and Public Relations, said that the event is appropriate for intermediate skiers and above.

The event is put on by volunteers. More than 150 people contribute their time and energy preparing for the Ski-A-Thon.

Proceeds from the benefit make up 75 percent of Maine Handicapped Skiing's annual budget. More than 95 percent of the proceeds go directly to the program.

The other 5 percent are pledges that are not honored and incidental costs to support the event. The Ski-A-Thon is paid for by support of businesses.

Maine Handicapped Skiing serves over 200 students. About half of the students are children, half adults. The students in the program have a wide range of disabilities, including physical mobility limitations, vision and hearing disabilities, and mental disabilities.

The program serves students in three locations. Headquarters are located at Sunday River Ski Resort. A downhill skiing program is also run at Sugarloaf on weekends. Students can also cross-country ski

Some skiers can make it to the top of the hill on the lifts. For others, the adaptive equipment is not lift-friendly. They need a ride to the top, so the program also has a number of snowmobiles and sleds to accommodate the specialized equipment.

On any given day, five people needing sit-down equipment will be out on the slopes, experiencing the beauty of the Maine mountains in a way that most disabled people only dream of. Many others will be out with equipment ranging from an orange safety vest to a ski-bra or outriggers.

All of them will have at least one volunteer instructor with them. The program is made possible by the time of over 300 volunteers.

Over the last three years, Maine Handicapped Skiing has been expanding into a year-round program. In the summer, students can go fly-fishing, horseback riding, and kayaking as well.

A number of students and their family members will participate in the Ski-A-Thon, as volunteers and team members. Many will be at the education tent at South Ridge Lodge. They welcome the opportunity to help educate Sunday River skiers about adaptive skiing, and all the many benefits it offers. Among the benefits is the chance to feel whole and competent outside in the snow.

To register or pledge support, contact Iseman at 824-2440. Pledges are tax deductible. Space is limited, so registration before March 17 is recommended.

CORRECTION

Bailey interviewed: Becky Bailey was one of the local senior citizens interviewed by Gould Academy sophomores for Four Point last week.

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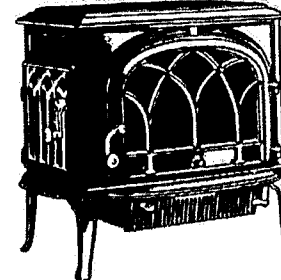
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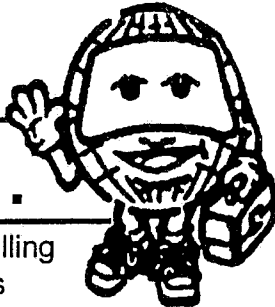
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by Virginia Keniston
Gwyneth Bohr has returned home after visiting her daughter, Sarah, and grand-daughter, Meredith Alexander, in Atlantic City, Fla. She also visited cousins Bob and Carol Rosson in Pensacola, Fla.

Jean and Brendon Bass are visiting their daughter, Caitlin, in Germany where she is studying engineering. The service at the Congregational Church on Sunday was conducted by the following students: Joel Doyon, Sarah Gamble and Carolyn Raymond.

Mary Keniston was guest of honor on her 80th birthday on Saturday at the Trolley House in Norway. Attending were Donna and Al Howe, Don Rice and Earlon Keniston. On Monday, the Women's Fellowship of the West Parish Congregational Church (17 present) honored her with lunch at Mother's, cards and a corsage. On Friday, the Bethel Historical Society workers honored her with ice cream, punch and a lovely rose.

Dot Bean is at the Norway Rehabilitation Center.

George Gilbert is at the Norway Rehabilitation Center.

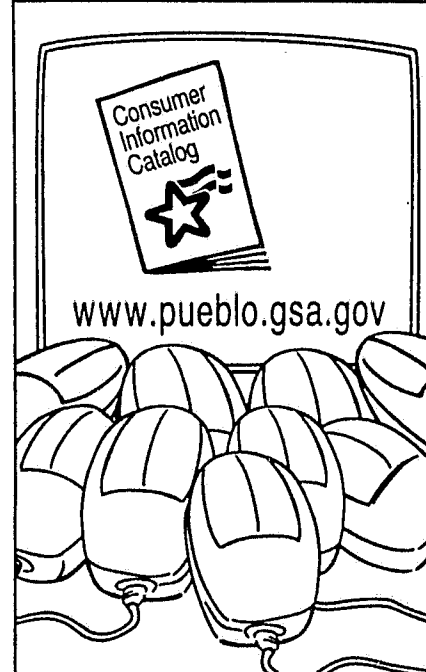
Isabelle Bennett has returned from a trip to Australia.

Pauline Wieden celebrated her birthday on the weekend with her children and grandchildren: Cynthia Paine of Keene, N.H., Seth Sands and Amber Sands Bergeron of Sanford and Berwick, Catherine Sands of Dover-Foxcroft, Priscilla Hansen of Dover-Foxcroft, Stephen Wieden of Windham, Sylvia and Don LaFlamme of Vienna, and Crystal Siren of Cornville.

Bob and Ginny Keniston visited Ted, Rachel and Josie McKnight in Jericho, Vt., on the weekend.

A week ago, Crescent Park School participated in a school-wide celebration for "Read Across America Day." Over 20 Telstar students joined CPS for an afternoon of reading. Every student had the opportunity to select two books to listen to and journeyed into hallways to sit in small groups and listen to high school students read from their favorite books. Book-mark contest winners were: Sam Wheeler, kindergarten; Jeb Clarke, grade one; Jamie Steven, grade two; Alexa Ellis, grade three; Kay-yla Figueroa, grade four; Carey Boelsma, grade five. The Read Across America committee was Betsy Raymond, librarian, assisted by Robin Smith, Carol Stuart, Barb Sabin and Jean McGuire.

Dick and Grace Douglass have returned from a vacation in Florida.



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Bethel House

by Ruth Cummings

On Sunday afternoon, March 4, Ginny Walker and I had a wonderful time. We met in the Community Room downstairs with Laura Smith of Seattle, Wash., a teacher at Gould, and sophomores, Jill Boruf-sldi of Damariscotta, Sam Oyel of Salem, N.H., Aaron Hughes of New York and Anthony Liberti of Newry (Sunday River). Ginny and I talked of how things were with us many years ago and Ginny told a lot about Gould and had some pictures there. We had been asked to bring a recipe for a dessert. Ginny took one of a chocolate cake. Best of all, she made a cake from the recipe and took a jug of milk and some cake and we had a treat. We really had a wonderful two hours.

I told them that I had been involved in about the same thing about 20 years ago and my husband had helped that time. I said most likely in the next 20 years they would have to find someone to take my place.

I have heard of folks seeing robins this spring, but so far I have not seen one.

I cannot write a lot of news about the Bethel House, Frances, because some in here ask that their name not be put in the paper.

Thanks so much Bruce and Jeanne for the phone call, and special thanks, Jeanne, for the lobster story. I will write you a letter some day and then maybe you will phone me again.

Bruce told me on the phone that as of March 2 the temperature had

not been down to zero. It has been 31 below at Clayton Lake, but that is in Maine in Aroostook County.

Olive has a new lift chair and also a new sewing machine.

Cack Bean played his guitar and sang at the Rumford Community Home on Friday.

Doug, Debbie and Claire Webster were dinner guests of Drew and Judy Webster on Friday.

Frances Whitman, who used to live next door to me here at the Bethel House, writes that she has a new grandson and he is number 14. He is the son of Edward and Karen Whitman.

Cathy Newell visited me on Saturday.

Pat Blake brought me some lovely biscuits and some very nice baked beans on Saturday evening.

There were some baked lima beans, and I had never eaten baked lima beans, so sampled them that night and ate a biscuit. The other baked beans were very nice, too — maybe they were yellow eye. Well, I had some of them for breakfast Sunday, the limas for dinner Sunday and more of the others Sunday night, but I had to make more biscuits. You guessed it, I like beans and biscuits.

"A touch of a loving hand can brighten the darkest sea."

Holy Communion was observed Sunday at the Bethel Alliance Church. Pastor Rick's message was "The Joy of Fellowship in the Cross." Cathy Hoy was at the piano and Peggy Mowery on the flute and Pastor Rick also played his guitar. There was a good attendance.

Cathy DiCocco and others were at the Bethel House on Monday with two kinds of soup and bread. The bread was so much different than I had ever seen. It was very thin but it certainly was delicious. She brought squash soup and barley vegetable soup. Most seemed to prefer the barley vegetable. Thanks again, Cathy.

Hello Ruthie in Georgia and George in California. How about a letter from each of you?

Sunday morning it was 10 below zero here and 18 below at Warren's in Newry.

Ben Conant will be our guest speaker on March 25.

Christine Hanscom brought me some delicious macaroni and cheese on Wednesday.

Beatrice Smith visited with Re-

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becca Ricker on Wednesday and then Beatrice took Rebecca Ricker and Olive Williams to St. Mary's Nursing Home to visit with Mildred Newell.

"It takes a lot of nuts and bolts to hold a car together, but only one behind the wheel to wreck it."

Olive Williams was in Norway on Thursday.

Thanks to Lindley Wieden and Doug Grover for finally getting the ice off the drain in the parking lot so maybe we can get rid of some water from melting snow and rain. But it may be frozen underneath. Big chunks of ice piled up by the drain cover though, but Doug and Lindley did the best they could. The parking lot should not be up to them anyway. Lindley got the big chunks of ice removed.

Dottie Bean is at Norway Rehab on Marion Avenue in Norway and from there she will go back to Lewiston for a permanent knee.

Thursday night Gould honored those that had taken students into their homes Sunday afternoon at a lovely supper at the new dining hall. Laura, Benji, Anthony, Aaron, Ginny and I ate at one table. We sure had fun. Everyone that had students in their home was asked to take a recipe for dessert that was an old recipe. We gave these to the students when we met with them. Mine was for a lemon sponge pie that my Aunt Mabel used to make and it certainly is old, as she passed away 50 years ago. That recipe was used as well as the one for chocolate cake that Ginny took. They had lots of different desserts. Great food, great time, very nice people make up for a really great evening. Thanks everyone at Gould. We certainly were made welcome.

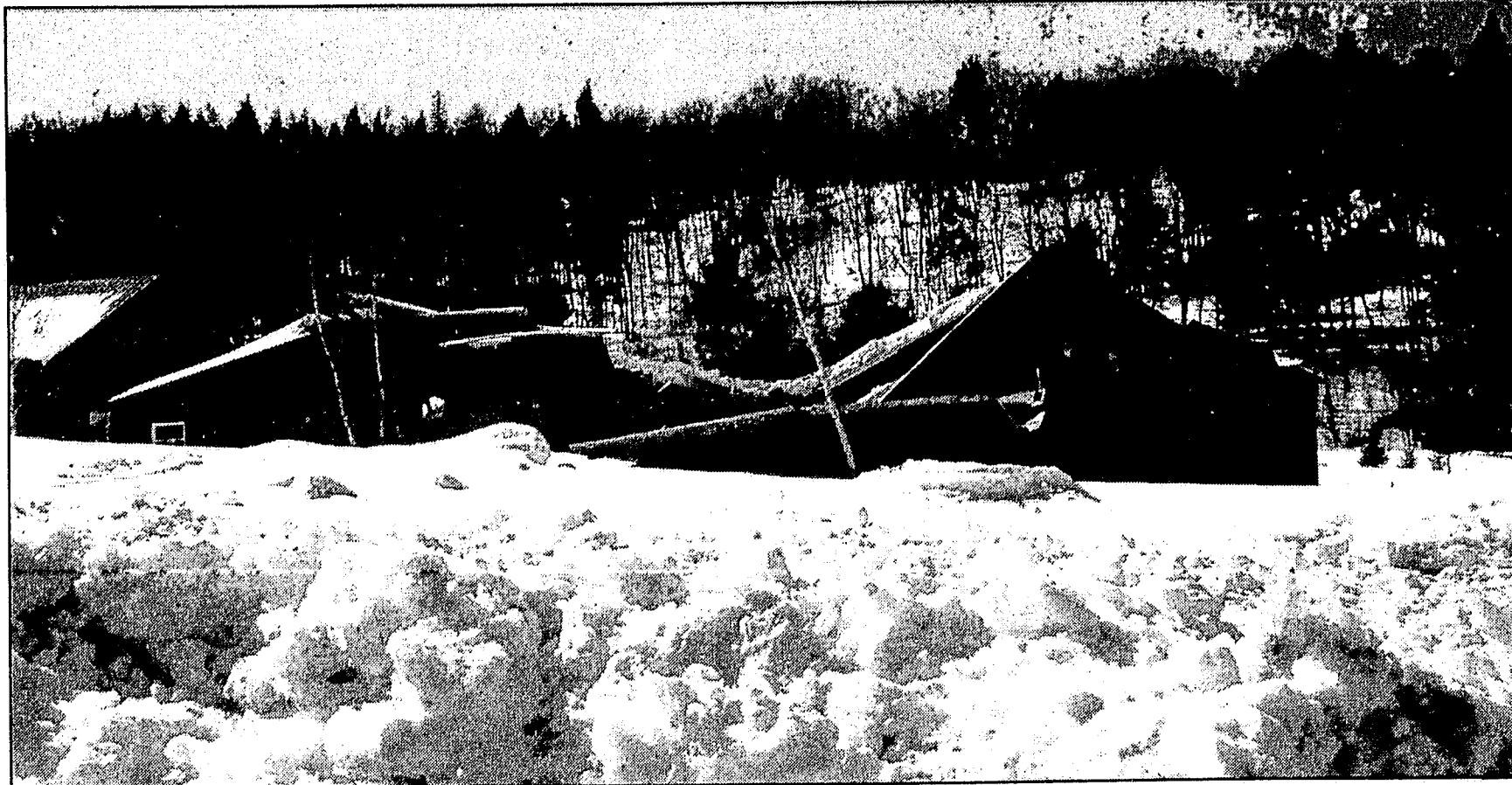
Sunday River Valley



by Rockie Graham

As I sit here, the snow falls, yet again. Nothing moves outdoors and the world is still pretty and white. Soon, cars/trucks will intrude carrying sand, gravel and muck from the world beyond. It is another no-school day with rain, sleet and ice promised to mix with the snow. We shall see. Frankly, I hope it stays snow. As much as I'm not anxious to shovel more, I'd rather than ice and rain. Rain would just lead to flooded cellars and make the snow on the roofs heavier.

As I write this, my dad sits in a



TOO MUCH SNOW
This Woodstock riding arena, owned by Pat Thurston, collapsed last week under the weight of snow. Many area residents and businesses hurried to get their roofs shoveled off before this week's storms.

(Photo by Alison Aloisio)

hospital somewhere in New York. At 87, he still refuses to listen to medical advice and does what he pleases. That is all well and good for him; he has a right to suffer if he wants to do so. Unfortunately, his family must suffer, too. Word comes slowly as it sifts through N.Y. to Florida and back again. As I keep telling my bro, he will probably live to bury us all. In some ways, that is his goal. Too much Today Show for him and he wants to be one of those names announced as being 100. Of course, he doesn't realize that might mean pain and suffering, and it might mean actually taking care of himself. But at 87, he is as he is and nothing I do or say will change that. So I just let him go and do as he will and try to stay uninvolved.

I had an e-mail from my friend Ab the other day. It is my first from England. It seems to take longer for e-mails to travel that far, although I know they shouldn't. I will keep track of that and let you know.

I've noticed that the number of walkers in the Valley has increased, again. That is a sure sign that spring is around the corner. Tasha is getting a little better at not chasing after them. Because I have been shoveling and moving wood, I have been letting her run free, some, and she has mostly risen to her new privileges. She has taken long runs across the field and stayed mostly

out of the road. It is good for both of us.

When leaving the laundromat the other day, I noticed that someone had crashed into my Vista. Now that was downright rude. They could have at least come in and said 'sorry'. I know that car is old and has other dents, but still ... Now I have to look at one more dent that won't get repaired.

The Bethel Area Poets Society is excited that at our March reading we may be joined by the Rumford group. It will be nice to have the two groups meet and enjoy each other's company. The Bethel group will meet on Thursday, the 22nd of March at 7 p.m. at Café DiCocoa on Main Street, Bethel.

Marcy has been a real help to me, lately. As I hurt my hips and couldn't move my newly delivered wood, she has stopped by several times and helped move it. Some of it is still left, and some is frozen to the ground by melting snow refreezing, but the majority of it is stacked. It is green, and not as warm as good, dry wood, but it burns okay with a mixture of what little dry wood is left, and it keeps me warm. That is the important thing.

On this chilly, wet day, I will close. Have a good week. Stay as warm and dry as possible, and drive carefully in this stuff.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

According to Hanover representative on the Tri-town Solid Waste and Recycling Board,

Bob Fortin, the expanded hours at the transfer station have again been delayed and are not expected to take place until April. That was determined at the board meeting on March 8. Bob says that there are a lot of issues relating to solid waste and recycling that need to be looked into.

The question is, "Will there be a new post office in Hanover?" With headline news that the U.S. Postal Department is putting a hold on many projects, it leaves Hanover residents wondering what the status of the long-promised and waited-for Hanover Post Office will be. Although Hanover was not on the list initially released by the Postal Department, some have said all along that it would never happen and others have said they will believe it when they see it. The project has been in the works for several years, and most of the groundwork for the new post office was completed last year.

The Hanover Planning Board met

for their monthly meeting on March 7. They tentatively approved the site review for the Hanover Town Office pending the arrival of one missing document. The Planning Board is concerned about updating the comprehensive plan for Hanover and would like to discuss it with the selectmen. The next Planning Board meeting will be Wednesday, April 4 at 7 p.m., at the Town House.

Enhanced 9-1-1 is scheduled to be implemented in Hanover this spring. Residents need to be appropriately marked to enable emergency responders locate a caller's address. House numbers should be posted on your structure. If you have a mailbox and the structure is visible from the road, the number should also be on both sides of it. If you do not have a mailbox and your structure is not visible from the road, a post should be erected with your number on it. If you get your mail at the post office, you still need to post your structure number.

Posted numbers should be high enough so that snow does not cover them. Numbers need to be a minimum of four inches and a contrasting color from the background. Reflective materials help to improve visibility. You should post your 9-1-1 address and emergency direction next to your telephone.

All streets and roads in Hanover

have been named and all houses have been assigned a pumber. If you do not know your number, you can get it by calling the Town Office at 364-7895. Verification of addresses with the telephone companies that serve Hanover has been completed.

We could all use a little more snow, it would make the grass greener when we finally get to see it in July. Spring is coming, it should be right around the corner.

Just a reminder, the Hanover Town Office will be closed Thursday, March 15, for a meeting. It will also be closed on Wednesday, March 28, for license plate class.

East Bethel



by Nancy Mercer

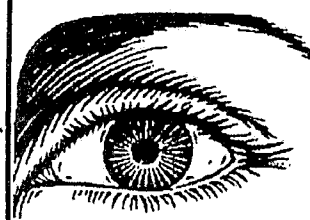
Lynn Zimmerman is still laid up with a broken leg. She gets around the house with

crutches and hopes to be going full speed by the end of this month.

The Red Top in Locke Mills opened on March 8 and Esther has been busy ever since.

Diana Howe and Len Parker were married on Feb. 15.

Irene Foster of Cape Cod, Mass., and a camerawoman visited Florence Hastings on March 9 to 11.



The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Sharon Bouchard's column is published here by special arrangement with the Advertising Department of this newspaper.

There seems to be a lot of strange diseases going around these days. Every day you pick up the paper and read about some dreadful malaise that's befalling the nation. Last fall I had a disease that I never heard of called ITP (the short version), but I was able to find a lot of information about it. Now I think I'm suffering from one of the awful afflictions that's going around, but I just can't find that much written about it.

I peruse the medical advice columns and the health related magazines, but I've yet to see anything on what I believe to be a pretty common ailment. No one has any telethons to help prevent this terrible illness. I guess it just doesn't rank that high in preventative medicine.

The disease of which I speak has symptoms of depression, irrational behavior, crankiness, sudden bouts of hysterics and in extremely severe cases unaccountable aggressive behavior. It is most prevalent in the winter and can last several months. Though it is not known to actually be contagious, entire communities have been known to get it. There are cures but they're expensive. All one can really do, unless they are part of the independently wealthy group, is just try to cope.

By now you have probably realized that you yourself are experiencing some of, if not all of the above mentioned symptoms.

Do not despair - though despairing is another one of the symptoms, what you have is known as "Cabin Fever."

"Cabin Fever" is a disease of the mind; you mind every time it snows, sleets, rains and freezes. You mind every time you planned to go somewhere and you have to stay home because the roads are glare ice. You mind every time you get your kids up, fed, dressed and lunches made for school, only to have it cancelled because the buses can't get through the foot of new snow that fell during the night. You mind when your car won't start and you can't get to work because it's 30 below.

"Cabin Fever" can infect anyone, old or young, male or female, short or tall - it does not discriminate. There are no shots or medicines you can take to prevent it or cure it. Your only hope is to know when you have it and try to doctor yourself the best way you can.

How do you know when you have "Cabin Fever" you ask? Well, perhaps being a victim of this dread disease for many winters, I have learned enough insights to be able to help you figure that out.

You know you have "Cabin Fever" when the highlight of your weekend was watching infomercials. Infomercials are those wonderful little delights on cable television that are half-hour advertisements made to look like documentaries.

the outstanding merits of items such as exercise equipment that only athletes can handle, handicap improving golf clubs or those crazy haircutting devices that suck up your unwanted hair like a vacuum.

You know you have "Cabin Fever" when your husband asks you what there is to eat and you proceed to throw everything that there is in the refrigerator at him. Then for good measure, you hand him the salt and pepper.

You know you have "Cabin Fever" when you stand on your doorstep and have a 20-minute discussion with the oilman on the aerodynamics of the North American woodpecker, just to get out of the house.

You know you have "Cabin Fever" when you turn the pockets inside-out on every item of clothing you own just to find interesting reading material like scraps of paper with messages or numbers that no longer mean anything. Or old grocery lists that you try to figure out what you were planning to cook that week. Or you try to see how much lint it takes to make an ounce.

You know you have "Cabin Fever" when you start naming the dust bunnies under your bed and try teaching them tricks like roll

over or play dead.

If you should determine that you are in fact suffering from this terrible winter woe, my heart goes out to you. I know how debilitating it can be. Unless you are affluent enough to travel to a warmer climate for the entire winter, the most you can do to combat the house-bound blues of "Cabin Fever" is to cope the best way you can.

I have come up with some ideas of things that you can do to try to amuse yourself until the green grass of spring arrives. For example, you could spray paint the entire inside of your house with textured white paint and then give prizes to family members who successfully find the toilet.

You could arrange all the food in the house, cupboard and refrigerator too, in alphabetical order and then eat your way from A to Z. Be creative and select items that will spell the names of your children or some foreign city.

You could wallpaper all of your walls with newspapers in a creative fashion; comics in the living room, advice columns and recipes in the kitchen, sports in the bedroom and political columns in the bathroom where they belong. Avoid hard news and weather, they're both depressing and you're already depressed enough.

For a really fun day you could take in the waistline of your spouse's clothing by an inch and tell them they look like they're putting on weight. While they go ballistic trying to fit into their favorite pair of pants, be sure you're on hand to support them by offering them some lettuce and cottage cheese. Constantly remind them of how supportive they were of you when you were trying to diet.

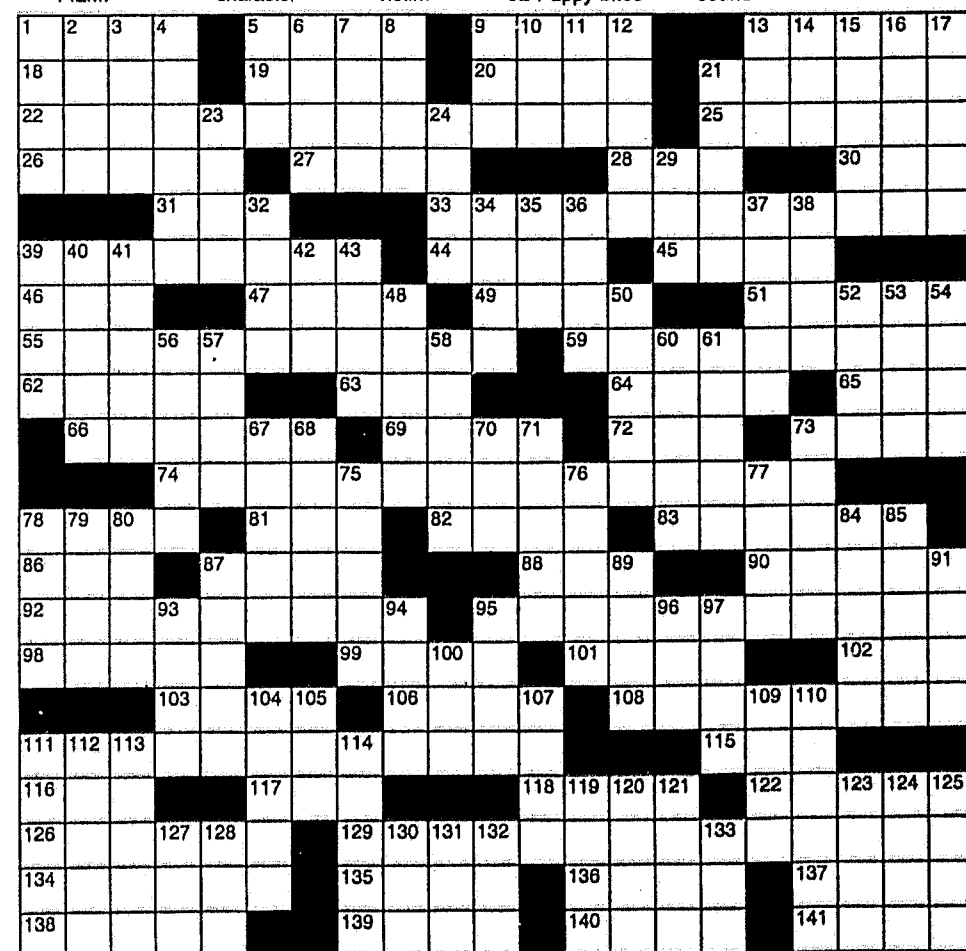
If you're looking for something a little more challenging to occupy your mind until the spring thaw, you could try making dread locks on the fur of your cat or dog.

The most important thing is to keep yourself busy and your mind stimulated, at least until you can get out to a shopping mall. You will eventually recover from 'Cabin Fever', it is not terminal.

The way I see it, if you can survive winter colds, flu season and "Cabin Fever" with your sanity intact, the rest of the year will be just like a summer picnic.

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They were taking pictures of the area during the Friday night snowstorm.

Clayton Bartlett will celebrate a birthday on March 15.

Mason Township



by Richard Grover

Last Sunday was the annual celebration of Maxine Wright's birthday at Bob and Camilla Everett's home, just over the Mason town line in Bethel. Maxine is Camilla's mom, and a remarkable woman she is. This year was birthday number 90, and she celebrated it by playing piano accompaniment to our organist NESTA Littlefield in the West Bethel Union Church that morning. The celebration at the Everetts brought most of the church congregation and several other local friends together for a couple hours of fellowship and chitchat. As usual, the men seemed to congre-

gate mostly in one end of the house, while the women occupied the other end. The coffee and food brought them into closer association for at least part of the time.

My big sister likes dogs and wants to be friends with our Snuffy, as she really liked our last dog, Pooka, who was really meek and laid back. So, we agreed to an experiment last Friday. I came home from the shop at lunchtime to let Snuffy out for a while and to play with him some. Then I took him to Verna's for the afternoon. I took both his leash and a 20-foot chain, which I attached to one of her clothesline posts, and then returned to work. When I got off at 4 p.m., I stopped by to see how she made out. "He was just awful," she said. "He wouldn't do a thing I wanted him to." Snuffy turned out to be just too rambunctious for her to handle. We'll have to wait a year or two and see if he becomes more manageable for her.

Our calf, Jelly, also has a personality of his own. He really loves to have his chin rubbed. Almost every time I get into his pen to clean him out, he comes over to

me with his nose up in the air so I can rub along his lower jaw lines; then he kind of rolls his eyes around to the back of his head. He also likes to play with a stick of pine firewood I put by his gate to prop the back barn door open when I'm wheeling the manure out to the back. The pine log is about 8 inches in diameter and about a foot long. If I roll the log into his pen, Jelly gets down on his front knees and butts the log back out. He will repeat that process quite a few times if I cooperate.

Andover



by Joan Stinson Carney

Happy Birthday for the following week to Sasha Waite and Jennalee Putnam on the 16th, Jere Melzar and Bruce Simmons on St. Paddy's Day, Elek Pew and Garth Conrad on the 18th, Craig Zurhorst, Peter Kerschner and Travis Wardwell on the 19th, Jesse Farrington and Suzann Richardson on the 20th, Kimberly Gautreau, Earle Towne and Joanne Jolicœur on the 21st, and on March 22, Cindy Emerson, Charles Lozier and Margaret Miserochi. Happy Anniversary to Jeanette and Arthur

Hutchins on the 20th.

Speaking of the 20th, it's the first day of spring; can winter be far behind? You all know the rules, we are allowed only one day of summer around here. It happens sometime in August — we never quite know when — but don't worry about it, you have plenty of time to prepare. I have been talking to Noah this year; I think with the thaw we are going to need his ark, but no snakes allowed on board this time.

Andover Elementary School news: Don't forget to save your soup labels. The kids make a lot of money from them. I want to commend Ms. Worcester, the art teacher and all our young artists for the wonderful display at Town Meeting this year. I picked out my favorite and will have to talk to the artist to see if we can arrange a fair price. I hope we can do the same thing next year. If you have any used printer ink cartridges, you can drop them off at the school for recycling. On March 17, the class of 2002 will hold a bottle drive, and, yes, green glass bottles are acceptable. St. Paddy's Day, remember? Do you know it's bad luck to wear green on St. Patrick's Day in Ireland? Go figure.

When my eldest son was home for his grandfather's funeral, we got to talking about how we wanted our earthly remains disposed of,

and this got me thinking. He wants to be cremated and have one-third of his ashes scattered on Farmer's Hill, one-third just as close to the Pirates of the Caribbean ride at Disney World as we can sneak them, and the other third in the back yard of our old home in Boston. Now this may seem a bit macabre, but think about it for a minute, this could turn into a great job opportunity for some people. You could call your company, "Ashes to Scatter, Inc.," or "The You Have Dust We Travel Company."

Anyway, here are some of the places that I want to be "scattered." Ready? Farmer's Hill of course, Harvard yard, London, England, Tara in Ireland, the Andover Public Library, the Somerville and Cambridge, Mass., public libraries, the two hospitals where my sons were born, the church where I was married, the courthouse where I was divorced, my ex-husband's grave, and every bingo hall where I won over \$100. I'm certain that this list will change as I think about it some more, but just think what fun someone could have scattering me — no comments please.

Again, my mother and the rest of

our family want to thank everyone who donated their time and wonderful food, who showed us how much love and caring there is around us. This is an example of what makes a small town so wonderful. We really appreciated all that you did for us. My father would have been so proud and pleased. Thanks again.

The word for the week is phantom. Ask Fred Emerson for the definition. See ya.

Upton



by Eleanor LeComte

The view from my kitchen window is somewhat like peering out of an igloo. The snow is still 32 inches on the level, with huge snowbanks pushed back to make room for feeding the deer. Incidentally, the deer are quite fond of the snowbanks. I think they are playing "King of the Hill" while looking down on their herd buddies.

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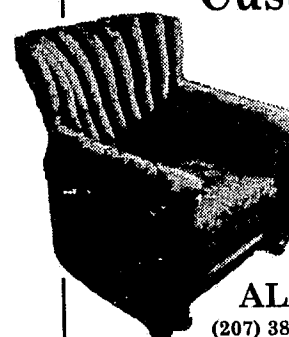
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For further information, contact Angela Hebert 824-4783 or Jerry Broomhall 875-3305.

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Gene Wixom brought in another couple bushels of apples. I have been cutting them in quarters all winter and strewing them randomly over the yard. Now, I just pile some in a bucket and fling them where they land. This is not too practical because the big bulky bucks move in and hog them all, so I guess I'll go back to chopping them.

Roger Lavalley is worn to a frazzle shoveling and breaking up ice dams on roofs.

The Town Reports are completed and may be picked up at the Town Office on Tuesdays or Fridays from 8 to 10 a.m. Town meeting will be held at the School House at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 29.

Snowmobiling has been excellent and the locals have taken advantage of it. One of my neighbors remarked to me that we have not had "dirty snow" all winter. Every night we get an inch or two to keep a fresh white surface. We all agree that we do not need it. When it isn't snowing, the days are bright and clear with a beautiful blue sky.

Sunday afternoon, I received a call from Denise Swan of Bryant Pond. She reported seeing a strange bird snag a junco and kill it. She realized that she had a Northern Shrike doing what he does best, killing small, defenseless birds. Although I do not approve of his food choice, this is what he eats. Thanks, Denise, for your story even though it was sad.

About a week ago Pat Goodrum saw a deer cross the road at the Thirteen Mile Woods on Route 16. It ran onto the ice on the Androscoggin River and promptly fell through. It wended its way from ice bucky to ice bucky till it got about 12 feet from the opposite shore. It struggled for quite awhile. Pat didn't see it leave the river, but the Errol-Upton grapevine said it made it to shore.

The deer are so skittish. We ask people to drive very slowly down Mill Road when they are viewing them.

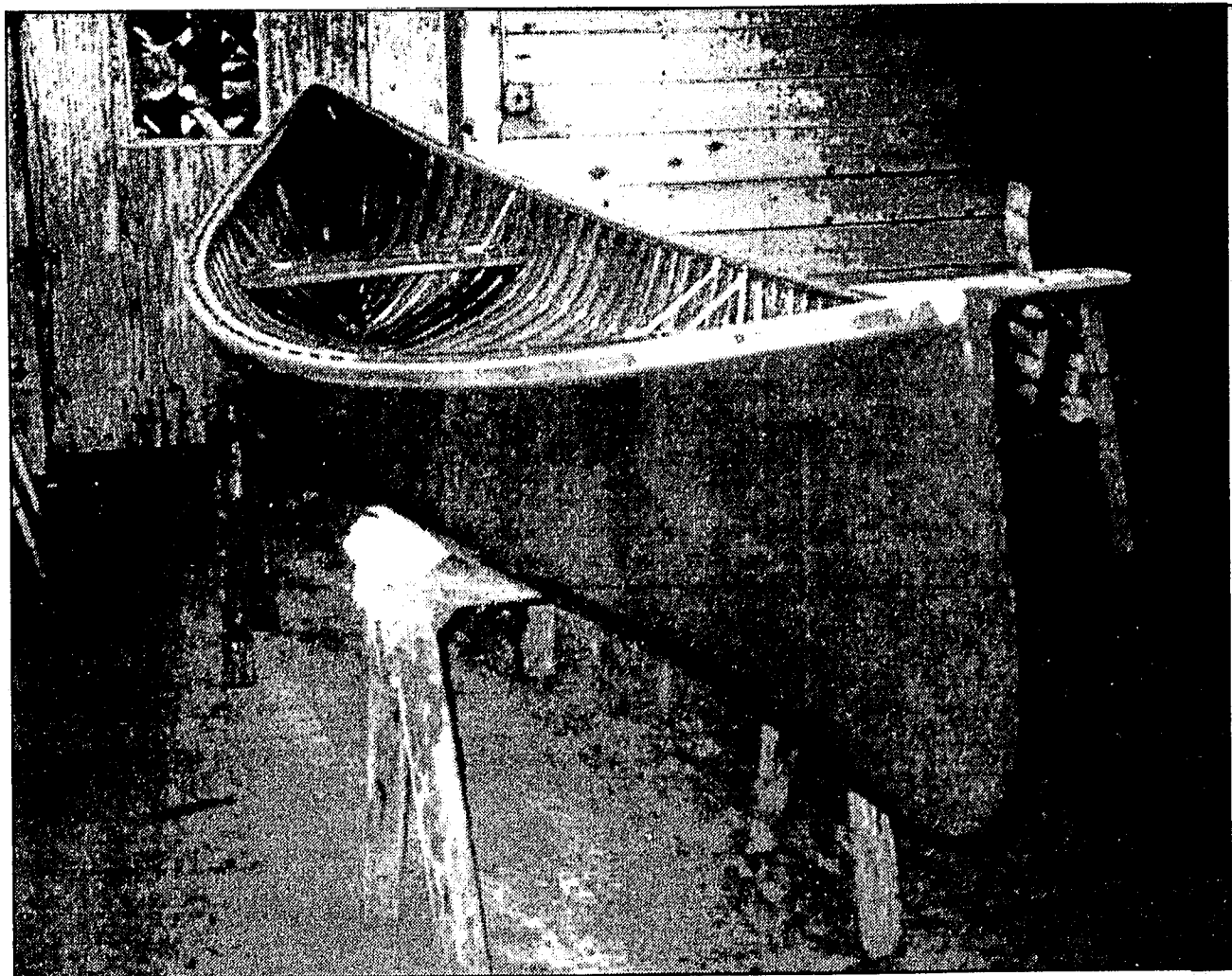
The "Bird of the Week" is the Pink Flamingo. This is a tasteless, gaudy, plastic bird that appears on people's lawns on their birthday. The more flamingos the older you are. My lawn isn't big enough any more.

Saturday is St. Patrick's Day, so I wish you all, "Top of the Morning" and a "Happy Rest of the Day, too."

North Newry



by Gil Seeley
Call to worship was held at Sue and Owen Wight's residence Sunday morning, March 4, at 9 a.m., with Pastor Rodney Hanscom and daughter Nancy at



the organ. Prelude by Jay Hanscom. The Message of the Day was, "The Promised Deliverance" from P.S. 29.11, "The Lord will give strength unto his people; The Lord will bless his people with peace." A prayer followed, hymns sung, benediction and postlude. The services will continue at the Wight's every Sunday morning until the church opens in April.

Friends and family helped Kevin Wight celebrate his 12th birthday at a party held his parents' home on March 8.

Locke Mills



by Lorraine Larson

It's Town Meeting time again. The Greenwood Auxiliary is already planning the annual Town Meeting dinner and we are expecting that the weather is going to stop this ridiculous behavior of sending a storm every weekend and points in between. Enough already. The meeting will be held on Saturday, March 31, at 10 a.m. at the Town Hall. (We will miss the dishwasher we've enjoyed at the Legion Hall.)

Even though the storm early last week gave us quite a bit of snow, I think we lucked out as far as amounts go. My son, Ralph Mills, said that Colchester, Vt., where he

lives, got two and a half feet; that's 30 inches. Mercy. He said about all he did all that day was move his car from his parking space in the complex to the road so the plow could clear the complex, then put it back so they could plow the road, then put it back in the road so they could plow the complex, etc. He said it was impossible to get from Colchester to Essex Junction where he works. He also said for the first time in 20 years he had to shovel the snow up from his deck, which is at least four or five feet up from the ground.

Someone asked me last week if I got a lot of colds and I said I didn't. Of course, two days later I was down with a cold and I'm having quite a time shaking the dratted thing. I wake up every morning somewhat akin to Kermit the Frog. Everything seems not too bad after a couple hours, but in the evening I begin to hoarsen up again. I'm thoroughly tired of the whole thing. It is a race to see which will wear out first — me or the cold.

I did gather up enough strength to take Ann Fitzmorris to Oxford on Thursday to get her shopping done. Everyone else decided to shop on Thursday, I think, before the storm promised for Friday could rear its ugly head. The stores were crowded and there was an accident at the light before Shop 'n Save. I don't know how bad it was, but there were a lot of emergency vehicles there. There was a dog in a

vehicle parked in the parking lot who added to the din every time a siren blew by howling like a wolf. All in all, it was quite a day.

My son-in-law Jon Smith's brother, the Rev. Donald Smith and his wife, Jane, of the Strong Nazarene Church, held two services last week at the Bethel Church of the Nazarene and Andy and I were among those attending. It was nice to see Don and Jane again. Don pastored at Bethel in the 1970s and married Jon and Marcia in 1977. Of course, being in the family so to speak, I have seen them off and on since then, but it had been at least eight years since I had seen them. Don, like a lot of the rest of us, has put on a few pounds and Jane has added a few gray hairs, but otherwise the years quickly rolled back. However, Don has gotten to look a lot more like Jon as they have grown older and it kept startling me.

Anyhow, we enjoyed the services and meeting them again. Pastor Chuck Mason and Kathy are planning to hold services for them this Friday and Saturday evening in Strong. Gerry Shimamura and I had made tentative plans to attend, but I've got this cold and Gerry fell and dislocated her elbow and tore some ligaments, which has sort of put a damper on her activities, as she can't drive that far with one arm in a sling. So guess we both have to skip this one.

RAFFLE FOR GATEWAY
This Rangeley Skiff, built in 1980 and restored in 1999, will be raffled off to benefit the Gateway Extension fund of the Mahoosuc Land Trust. MLT bought the 4.1-acre parcel of land just south of Bethel Village, and is now raising funds to pay for the purchase. The 14-and-one-half-foot skiff, one of a limited edition, was built by Jon Capozza of Androscoggin Boat Works in Wayne. Tickets may be purchased at the MLT office, Wild River Realty, the Sunday River Inn and from MLT board members. (See letter, page 2, for more information.)

Greenwood City



by Colista Morgan

When I awoke this morning, the air was still but it seemed to shimmer with dry cold. When it's the beginning of a new day, rather than the end of an old one, there is something to discover in Maine.

The air is cool and clear like water from a spring.

We are busy today cleaning away the first big snowstorm. I can just look this year. I'd like to walk along the road looking, ever mindful of the interesting lives among the trees. March is the time of the beginning of things of change. Nature doesn't simplify or pause to teach. If one learns he must watch and listen. A perfect March day seldom endures but brings promise to man of another spring — beginning.

I am very fortunate to have good neighbors who do so much to help me.

My sister, Lucy, is in the hospital in Norway.

I got out this week and rode to Norway. It was my only outing for a long time.

I was pleased to see Ann, David and several other callers on Sunday.

Eleanor Inman sent me a nice letter from Florida. She and Milton are having a nice time.

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Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

Services at the Bryant Pond Baptist Church on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. are Patch the Pirate Club and prayer meeting. Sunday services are Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., choir practice at 4:45 p.m. and evening service at 6 p.m. March 17 is men's prayer breakfast at 7 a.m. On March 18, Sue Haney, Lisa MacKillop and Naomi White will be presenting their missionary trip to Thailand during the evening service.

The Franklin Grange 124 meeting was canceled because of the storm. They will meet on Monday, March 19, for a 6 p.m. supper and meeting with instruction and St. Patrick's Day program.

The Woodstock Extension will meet on Wednesday, March 21, at the Town Annex. The meeting starts at 1 p.m. Elena Noyes will lead the program on towels. There will be a tasting party.

Whitman Memorial Library has new hours: Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 12 to 4 p.m. They are looking forward to your visit.

The Historical Society captures the atmosphere of our area in general in its museum exhibits. It also represents the whole region of New England well. For a small Society, they have accomplished a lot. Curator Larry Billings recently had a phone conversation with the president of the Maine Archives and Museum Association. She seemed very nice. Curator Larry Billings tries to do all he can for the Society. He only has the best intentions. The Historical Society Museum is an important fixture now in Oxford County. Few other facilities have such an impressive array of exhibits exclusively from that area. It represents this county exceptionally well. It has a wonderful collection of glass and china.

South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing

It's been a hard winter for birds and me trying to keep up with feeding them. We have about 30 mourning doves each day that come to feed several times. Also several other birds of different types and I cannot sit down if they do not have seed to eat.

Probably some people think 'all this snow is good. But I for one am getting sick of it. Richard has to go to work almost every morning at midnight or soon after and then when he gets home at 4 p.m.,

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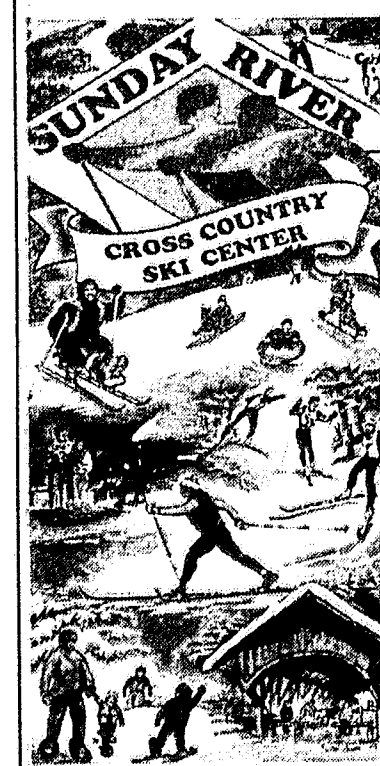
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there's shoveling and plowing to do. I try to do some, but I'm not very good at it.

My sister, Dotte Critser of Tempe, Ariz., called this week to see if we had much snow. She said they are having lots of rain there.

One Sunday morning recently, we had a beautiful white lab dog come to our home. We knew it must belong to someone close by, so Richard called a couple of people and found out it was the Gravers' dog. He spoke with Will Gravier and Will asked Richard if his name was Bailey. Richard said, "I don't know, I didn't ask him." It was Bailey.

Congratulations to Hazel and Irving Cole on their recent engagement. We wish them both the best and much happiness in the future.

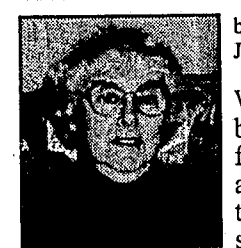
Receiving high honors at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School is Jamie Monzo. Jamie is seventh in her senior class. Quite an honor for such a large school. We are all very proud of her. She is the daughter of Sandra and Mike Monzo of Oxford and the granddaughter of Tommy Poland of South Woodstock.

Tara Monzo and Eric Poland also received honors in the classes at OHCHS.

The flu has been real busy lately. Many in my family have been real sick. It's like the 24-hour flu. The nursing homes in the area have also been affected. I haven't had it yet — keeping my fingers crossed.

I have missed seeing "Doodie" Reid at the post office and store. I just read he is in the Veteran's Home in South Paris. I wish him the best and a speedy recovery.

West Paris



by Joyce Lamb

Winter came back in full force this week and dumped 18 to 20 inches of snow over the deep bed already on the ground. In places the ground was blown bare and other places were five feet deep. My back door was half covered, for the whole path was drifted full with hard and heavy snow.

On March 18 at the West Paris Universalist Church, James Burke will speak on "The Limits of Science and Technology." Susan Glines is organist.

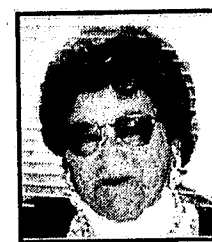
Peggy Lamb of Palermo visited her mother, Joyce Lamb, Sunday and brought a pot of yellow daffodils and a pink hyacinth. They brighten the kitchen window and look like spring if one can ignore the big snow banks outside. Peg said the road over 219 was rough but ice-free.

The craft group will meet Thursday with June Demarest to tie baby quilts.

The Book Club met at the library on Wednesday to discuss the book "The Mourners' Bench" by Susan Dodd. On April 4, "Interpreter of Maladies" by Jhumpa Lahiri is to be discussed. All are welcome to participate.

The temperature finally got above the freezing mark on Wednesday after two weeks of very cold weather. Buffy was happy and ventured out for an hour to get fresh air but was unable to go far for the snow would not hold him up. The crust from last week is well covered. More snow is promised for the coming week. It appears as though we are getting January weather in March. The Florida people had better stay where they are for another month anyway.

East Stoneham



by Eleanor Nelson

Hi readers. Where does the time go? Here it is time for news already.

Last week was busy with going to Norway for routine lab tests and next day to work and then Saturday was Town Meeting. I do like to be busy, though. It's a lot better than just sitting around. Tomorrow Albert and I are going our separate ways. Don't get alarmed, folks — it's just for the day.

Before I forget it — Mary Fox won the jar of licorice at the carnival doings. There were 1,560 inches. I was way off. I guessed 500 inches. Happy eating, Mary.

About Town Meeting, we do have a new town clerk and tax collector, who is Midge Silvio. Mary Fox is still the treasurer. Two new selectmen were voted in and they are Jesse Adams and Terry Nunes. Neal Littlefield is still on as selectman. Derek DeSanctis was voted in as building inspector/code enforcement officer. The alternate is Gary Dean. Fire chief is still Albert Fox.

John Woodbury was the moderator and did a good job in keeping people straight through the 75 articles. The Ladies Auxiliary put out a good lunch at noon, as usual. There was a good turnout of people this year, as changes were to be made and there was a bit of competition. I'm glad to see some of the younger people take over some of the duties and have an interest in town affairs.

During the meeting, Sharon McAllister introduced our new minister, the Rev. George Froberg, as not everyone had met him yet.

Well, people, have you all gotten dug out from this snowstorm? We didn't lose our power, did we. By the time you read this, there will have been another storm to get through, which is predicted for

Friday and Saturday. Albert and I feel so lucky that we don't have to go out to work every day now.

I had a really enjoyable Sunday afternoon March 4. I attended the final event of Lovell's Bicentennial celebration, which was performed at the Lovell VFW Hall. This was "A Cavalcade of Entertainment in Lovell 1800-2000," which featured performances by three generations. This was produced by the Charlotte Hobbs Memorial Library and the Lovell Historical Society and was supported by a New Century Arts & Heritage Grant from the Maine Arts Commission and the Maine Humanities Council.

Lake Region Television videotaped the program and is taking orders. The finale was a brand new play by Matthew Nelson, a junior at Fryeburg Academy, about entertainment in the future years.

Our sympathy and prayers go out to Donna Gagne and her family in the loss of her father, Ralph P. Stinson Sr. of East Andover. He died March 2 with his family by his side.

From the

Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

About 40 persons turned out to help the Bethel Historical Society officially observe the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the railroad in Bethel on March 10, 1851. The observance was held in the former "Potato John" building on Railroad Street, constructed ca. 1880 and long used by John Swan for potato storage. This structure is the last remaining one of a series that once lined the rail side of Railroad Street, including the station, demolished in 1968. It was represented by a model on display of what it looked like around 1900.

Various photos of the railroad station and other railroad scenes were on display. One of the "Bethel" signs that once graced the station was also hung on one of the walls. Society Assistant Director and Curator of Collections Randall Bennett provided some historical background on what the day was like in 1851. He later announced that this event was but the first in a whole series celebrating this milestone. Hot chocolate and delicious "finger food" were served.

A railroad exhibit will open on July 1 at the Society's Robinson House and other events will continue through 2003, when the 150th anniversary of the first international railway will be highlighted.

Prominent Bethel businessman Robert Chapman, chairman of the committee to celebrate this momentous event in 1851 and owner of the house that is now known as the Bethel Historical Society's Robin-

son House, told Phineas Frost to light the cannon as the first train rounded the bend below Bethel Village. The cannon failed to go off as expected to the great disgust of Augustus M. Carter, a boy of ten at the time but well versed in "touching off" cannons.

The failure of the cannon to provide a deafening volley did not seem to dampen the spirits of the throng that greeted this significant event in the town's development. Several historians believe that the railroad was the single most important event in the town's history, since it provided for the growth of factories and mills along the tracks. It also made it possible for the shipment of goods into and out of the town. Soon after the railroad arrived, the tourist industry became an important factor in the local economy with the building of hotels and boarding houses. The fact that the railroad came to Bethel Hill and not through Middle Intervale changed the town demographically. Bethel Hill became the dominant village and Middle Intervale lost its position as a town center.

Much appreciation is expressed to all those who made this celebration such a success. Thanks to George and Danna Nickerson, who own the building, for allowing the Society to use it for this event and helping make it possible. Much gratitude is also due all those who made food for the day, including Judy Haskell, Amy Davis, Bessie Bennett, Lorrie Hoeh, and Danna Nickerson. Thanks also to Dean Walker for his help in moving things back and forth between the Society Regional History Center and the celebration site.

From

Telstar Middle School

The annual Telstar Middle School Science Fair will be held Thursday, March 22, from 8:30 to 11 a.m. in the Telstar gym. The projects will also be on display Wednesday, March 21, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Parents and community members are welcome to come either day. Following the competition on Thursday there will be an awards assembly starting at 12:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

The entire middle school, sixth, seventh and eighth grades, will be participating in the competition. Between 185 and 195 projects are expected.

The students have been developing their projects using the scientific method for the last three months. Some have chosen to work with a partner, and others are working alone.

They started by choosing a problem to solve and then doing research on that topic. The language arts department worked with the students on developing and writing

a research paper on their topics in order for them to come up with a hypothesis (educated guess) as to what they think the solution will be. The students then devised a method to test their hypothesis.

Once the testing was completed they analyzed their results to determine if their hypothesis were correct or not. For the Science Fair, students will be displaying this entire process as well as their findings.

All students will receive a certificate of certification and five projects from each grade will be chosen by a team of judges to represent Telstar in the Sandy-Andy competition held at the University of Maine in Farmington.

There will also be area business judges who will award their own Certificates of Achievement. Businesses that have supported us in the past and will again this year are: The Bethel Citizen, Chadbourne Tree Farms, Pooh Corner, Sunday River Ski Resort, Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, Maine Conservation School, Rite Aid, Bethel Area Health Center, and Bethel Outdoor Adventures.

From the

Bethel Rotary Club

The Bethel Rotary Club's annual Country Breakfast will take place Sunday, March 25 from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Gould Academy Dining Hall. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12.

At the club's March 6 meeting, Rotary District Governor Elias Thomas III spoke to members about his January trip to India.

Thomas traveled to that country for National Immunization Day. In a joint effort with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF and the World Health Organization, Rotarians worldwide have pledged to support the eradication of polio by 2005. As part of the effort, about 200 million children were immunized in India on that day. Thomas helped administer immunizations.

He also described a visit to the Jaipur Foot Clinic, sponsored in part by Rotary. Amputees can have a prosthesis made in a day at the clinic. While there, Thomas witnessed a man who had not walked in 18 years take his first steps.

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Gould X-C skiers race in Junior Nationals

By DICK TAYLOR

Three Gould Academy boys qualified for the New England Junior National Nordic Team, which competed in Marquette, Mich., this past week.

Bethel's Justin Hautaniemi, ranked 10th in New England, raced in the 16- to 19-year-old class. He finished 19th (out of 55 racers) in the sprint and 22nd in the 15-kilometer freestyle race. Hautaniemi also raced the third leg for the New England relay team, which placed 10th.

Kyle Rogers of Manchester and Chris Leonards of Wilton competed in the 14- to 15-year-old class, which competes over shorter distances. Rogers was ranked third and Leonards fourth in their age group in New England.

Rogers finished sixth (of 50 skiers) in the sprint, ninth in the classical and 17th in the freestyle. He skied the second leg for the New England relay team, which finished fourth.

All the racers qualified through a series of New England Nordic Ski Association races throughout Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont for one of 20 spots on the

team. The five other divisions of the U.S. Ski Association send similar teams of 20 boys and 20 girls to the championships: Alaska, Pacific Northwest, Intermountain, Rocky Mountain, and Central (Midwest).

A senior in only his third year of training for cross-country skiing, Hautaniemi has established himself as the top high school skier in the state and in the New England Prep School League.

Rogers, a junior, follows closely and has been competing for several years now.

Leonards, a sophomore in his first year of systematic training and higher-level competition, was a surprise, above all to himself. As he remarked upon being named to the team following the final qualifier, "What do I do now?"

The three returned March 12 in time to compete in the New England High School Nordic Ski Championships at Rumford, March 16 through 18, in which each of the states competes for the team title.

They will be joined by their teammate, Ronan Donovan, who qualified number two in trials at the Sugarloaf Nordic Center.

MAMMOTH-BOUND--Two eighth-grade students from Bethel have qualified for National Snowboarding Competition in the Boarder Cross event. Jena Hardy and Ross Parker are trying to raise enough money to attend the United States of America Snowboarding Association (USASA) National Competition March 19 to 23 at Mammoth Mountain, Calif. Jena and Ross are members of the Telstar High/Middle School Snowboard Team. Jena is the daughter of Jay and Marie Hickey, and Ross is the son of Scott and Susan Parker and the grandson of Rachel and Blake MacKay, all of Bethel. It will cost approximately \$2,500 for each boarder to travel to California and compete. Anyone who would like to help support them may make donations payable to either Ross Parker or Jena Hardy, P.O. Box 1187, Bethel, ME 04217.

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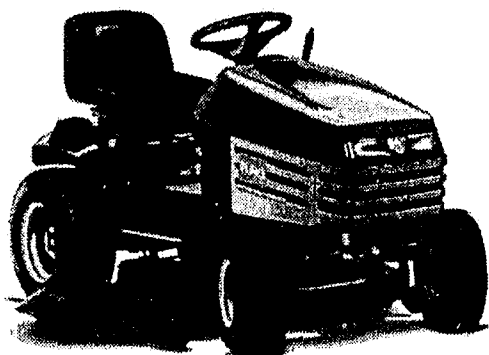
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Just a Reminder... that dog licenses are now overdue. There will be an additional fee of \$10.00 per dog after April 1, 2001.

NOTICE TO VETERANS

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SCHOOL LUNCHES: WEEK OF MARCH 19

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SAD44 Telstar Middle/High School Lunch Program

Monday: Turkey franks/hd roll, mixed vegetables, assorted fruit juice, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, p/b/j sandwich, fruit bar, salad bar, milk.

Tuesday: Tuna salad sub, potato chips, lettuce and tomato, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, ham and cheese roll, hamburger/bun, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza stix, kernel corn, potato chips, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hot dog/bun, hamburger/bun, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Thursday: Hot dog/bun, baked beans, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, chicken pattie, hamburger/bun, p/b/j sandwich, fruit bar, salad bar, milk.

Friday: No School.

SAD44 Elementary School Lunch Program

Monday: Hot dog/bun, mixed vegetables, assorted fruit juice, beef ravioli, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday: Tuna salad sub, potato chips, lettuce and tomato, beef ravioli, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza stix, kernel corn, beef ravioli, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

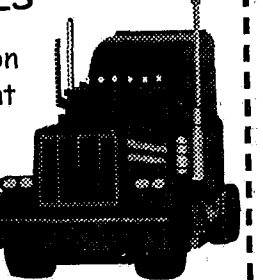
Thursday: Hot dog, baked beans, bread, beef ravioli, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: No school.

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Television Listings

THURSDAY EVENING MARCH 15, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	WWF Smackdown!		Ent. Tonight	Arrest	Seinfeld	Mad		
(32)	Step-Step	Step-Step	Movie: "Let Me Call You Sweetheart"		Early Edition		700 Club			
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Weber	Will-Grace	Just Shoot	ER	News		
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Whose?	Whose?	Be a Millionaire		Primetime Thursday	News		
(10)	News-Lehrer		Mystery!					Mystery!		
(22)	Baseball Tonight		Track and Field		WTA Tennis: Tennis Masters Series -- Semifinal			Sportscenter		
(34)	Miami Vice		Martial Law		Movie: "Witness to the Execution"			Dead Man's Gun		
(13)	Friends	College Basketball: NCAA Tourn. -- B.C. vs. So. Utah			College Basketball: NCAA Tourn. 1st Rd.					
(41)	Boxing: Angel Chacon vs. Augie Sanchez				NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Phoenix Suns			Sports		
(15)	Movie: "Tootsie" Cont'd				Movie: "The Messenger: The Story of Joan of Arc"			Best of Sex Bytes		
(17)	Movie: "Ready to Run"				Movie: "Principal Takes a Holiday"			Movie: "Short Circuit"		
(18)	"Galaxy Quest" Cont'd				Movie: "Cocktail"			Movie: "Oxygen"		
(20)	NHL Hockey: Vancouver Canucks at Boston Bruins						ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait				Unsolved Mysteries			Movie: "The Wandering Soul Murders"		
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.			Movie: "The Devil's Advocate"			"Heaven's Prisoners"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Brady	Strokes	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Hollywood Lives		Movie: "Gypsy"					Movie: "High Noon"		
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges		Movie: "Clean Slate"			Martin	Martin	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Live by Request Starring Loretta Lynn			Law & Order		
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Suddenly			Movie: "Colors"			News	MacGyver	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	Wolf Blitz	The Point	Larry King Live		Tonight	Spin Room	Sports	Moneyline

FRIDAY EVENING MARCH 16, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Parkers	Girlfriends	Gary-Mike	Celebrity	Ent. Tonight	Arrest	Seinfeld	Mad
(32)	Step-Step	Step-Step	Movie: "A Walk in the Clouds"				Early Edition		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Providence		Dateline		Law & Order		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Two Guys	Norm	Be a Millionaire		20/20		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Wash Wk	Wall St.	Blackadder: Back & Forth			Jane Goodall-Hope		
(22)	Women's College Basketball				ATP Tennis: Masters Series -- Men's Quarterfinal			Sportscenter		
(34)	Miami Vice		Martial Law		Bull Riding		Monster Jam		18 Wheels of Justice	
(13)	Friends	College Basketball: NCAA Tourn. 1st Rd.					College Basketball: NCAA Tourn. 1st Rd.			
(41)	College Hockey		Beyond the Glory		NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Denver Nuggets			Hockey		
(15)	"Jefferson in Paris"		Movie: "Event Horizon"					Dennis M.		
(17)	Even		Movie: "The Other Me"		Movie: "Rent-a-Kid"			Lizzie	Even	
(18)	"Home Alone" Cont'd		Movie: "Gang Related"				Movie: "Retroactive"		Passion	
(20)	Finish Line	College Hockey: ECAC Tournament Semifinal -- Teams TBA					ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "The Stepsister"			Division		
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.			Movie: "Turner & Hooch"			Movie: "Jury Duty"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Rugrats	Ginger	Ginger	Ginger	3's Co.	3's Co.	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Hollywood Lives		Movie: "Stalag 17"				Cinema	Movie: "House of Frankenstein"		
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges		Movie: "The Perfect Nanny"			Farmclub.com		
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		It's Burlesque			Law & Order		
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Suddenly			Movie: "The Air Up There"			News	MacGyver	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	Wolf Blitz	The Point	Larry King Live		Tonight	Spin Room	Sports	Moneyline

SATURDAY EVENING MARCH 17, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Montreal Canadiens						Entertainment Tonight		Maximum Exposure	
(32)	Movie: "Borrowed Hearts: A Holiday Romance"				Movie: "The Amati Girls"				St. Patrick-Irish	
(6)	Maine	Seinfeld	XFL Football: Birmingham Thunderbolts at Las Vegas Outlaws					News	Sat. Night	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Waterworld"						News	Pretender
(10)	Wek-Milestones		James Last: Gentleman of Music				Irish Tenors			
(22)	Sportscl.	WTA Tennis: Masters -- Final			Baseball Tonight		64 to the Sweet 16		Sportscl.	Basketball
(34)	Rockford Files		Backstage	Grand Opry	Gaither Gospel Hour		Century of Country		Backstage	Grand Opry
(13)	Basketball	College Basketball: NCAA Tourn. 2nd Rd.					District		News	
(41)	College Hockey: Hockey East Tournament Final -- Teams to Be Announced						Sports	See This	National Sports Report	
(15)	Movie: "Renaissance Man" Cont'd				Movie: "Fight Club"				Sopranos	
(17)	Even		Movie: "Wish Upon a Star"		Movie: "The Luck of the Irish"		MusicVids	Lizzie	Hoops	
(18)	"Arlington Road" Cont'd		Movie: "The Silencer"				Exit Wnds	Movie: "Turbulence II: Fear of Flying"		
(20)	TBA	College Hockey: ECAC Tournament Championship -- Teams to Be Announced					ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	"Body Language" Cont'd		Movie: "Echo"				Beyond Chance	Once and Again		
(5)	"First Target" Cont'd		Movie: "Mr. Nice Guy"					Movie: "Jackie Chan's First Strike"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongeb	Amanda	Eddie	All That	Strokes	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Movie: "The Two Jakes" Cont'd				Movie: "Flaming Feather"			Movie: "Tarantula"		
(26)	"The Mary Kay Letourneau Story: All-American Girl"				Movie: "For Richer or Poorer"				Farmclub	
(27)	Behind Closed Doors		Movie: "Lorna Doone"						100 Centre Street	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at New York Knicks					News		Darkside	"Deadbolt"
(39)	Capital Gang		Tonight	Take Five	Larry King Weekend		Tonight	Capital	Sports Tonight	

SUNDAY EVENING MARCH 18, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	XFL Football: San Francisco Demons at Chicago Enforcers						Star Trek: Voyager			
(32)	"The Tiger Woods Story"				Movie: "The Beverly Hillsbillies"			Movie: "The Burbs"		
(6)	Dateline				Movie: "Face/Off"				News	Big Break
(8)	Movie: "Bailey's Mistake"					Be a Millionaire	Practice		News	Pretender
(10)	Best Of Cont'd					Best Of			Mystery!	
(22)	Sportscl.	64 to 16	NHL Hockey: Detroit Red Wings at San Jose Sharks						Sportscenter	
(34)	North	Outdoors	Outdoor	Grigsby	Championship Bull Riding		Bill Dance	In-Fish	Car	
(13)	60 Minutes		Touched by an Angel		Movie: "For Love of Olivia"				News	
(41)	Boxing		Beyond the Glory		NASCAR Victory Lane		Sports	Last Word	Olbemann	
(15)	Movie: "Three Fugitives"					Sopranos	Suicide		"I Dreamed of Africa"	
(17)	Even	Lizzie	Heartbeat	Hoops	Movie: "Noah"			MusicVids	Lizzie	Hoops
(18)	Movie: "Anywhere but Here" Cont'd				Movie: "Drive Me Crazy"			Movie: "Auggie Rose"		
(20)	Preseason Baseball: Red Sox vs. Yankees				Front Row -- Rush		ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	"The Familiar Stranger"		Division		Any Day Now				The Stepford Husbands	
(5)	"Mr. Nice Guy" Cont'd				Movie: "Cliffhanger"				Movie: "Cliffhanger"	
(24)	Taina	Ginger	Caitlin	Nick News	Spoons	Spoons	ALF	ALF	227	227
(25)	Rains	Lot			Movie: "Vertigo"			Screen	Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein	
(26)	"Out of Sight" Cont'd				Movie: "Terror in the Family"			Huntress	Law & Order	
(27)	100 Centre Street		Biography Close-Up: Sesame Street					Biography		
(12)	Xena: Warrior Princess		Andromeda		Earth: Final Conflict		News	Replay	In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Late Edition		CNN Tonight		Larry King Live		People's Planet		Sports	NBA Wk.

MONDAY EVENING MARCH 19, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Moesha	Hughleys	Parkers	Girlfriends	Ent. Tonight	Arrest	Seinfeld	Mad
(32)	Step-Step	Step-Step	Movie: "Air Bud"				Providence		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Crocodile Hunter		First Years		Third Watch		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Dante's Peak"				Gideon's Crossing		News	
(10)	Capitol Connection		Antiques Roadshow		American Experience		Brooklyn Bridge		News-Lehrer	
(22)	Women's College Basketball				Women's College Basketball			Sportscenter		
(34)	Miami Vice		Miami Vice		WWF Raw		WWF War Zone		Monster Jam	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Yes, Dear	Raymond	Becker	Family Law		News	
(41)	Auto Racing: NASCAR Winston Cup -- Carolina Dodge Dealers 400						Sports	Last Word	National Sports Report	
(15)	"Just Write" Cont'd				Movie: "The Beach"			Movie: "House on Haunted Hill"		
(17)	Movie: "Flash"			Learning		Movie: "Safety Patrol"			Hoops	Boy-World
(18)	"Dying Young" Cont'd				Movie: "Point Break"			Movie: "Girl, Interrupted"		
(20)	Boating	Divers	Outdoors	Outdoors	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "Sweet Temptation"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.			Movie: "Mr. Nice Guy"			Movie: "Sleepwalkers"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Brady	Strokes	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Hollywood Lives		Movie: "Fancy Pants"				Backstory	Movie: "In Harm's Way"		
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges		Movie: "Six Days, Seven Nights"				Martin	Martin
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		100 Centre Street		Investigative Reports		Law & Order	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Suddenly			The Bingo Long Traveling All-Stars and Motor Kings			News	In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	Wolf Blitz	The Point	Larry King Live		Tonight	Spin Room	Sports	Moneyline

TUESDAY EVENING MARCH 20, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Pittsburgh Penguins						Arrest	Seinfeld	Mad
(32)	Step-Step	Step-Step	Freaks and Geeks		Freaks and Geeks		Early Edition		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Frasier	Fighting	Frasier	Sisters	Dateline		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Be a Millionaire		Dharma	Geena	NYPD Blue		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		National Geographic		Nova		Frontline		McLaughlin	Religion
(22)	College Basketball: NIT Second Round				College Basketball: NIT Second Round				Sportscenter	
(34)	Miami Vice		Martial Law		Movie: "Gunfighter's Moon"				18 Wheels of Justice	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG		60 Minutes II		Judging Amy		News	
(41)	Beyond the Glory		Boxing: Ray Mercer vs. Sherman Williams				Sports	Last Word	National Sports Report	
(15)	Movie: "Poltergeist" Cont'd				Movie: "Fight Club"				Sopranos	
(17)	Movie: "Up, Up and Away"				Movie: "H-E-Double Hockey Sticks"		Movie: "Windrunner"			
(18)	"Deep Blue Sea" Cont'd				Movie: "Galaxy Quest"		Exit Wnds	Movie: "All About My Mother"		
(20)	College Baseball: Maine at Florida						ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "Suddenly"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	NBA Basketball: Indiana Pacers at Toronto Raptors				Inside NBA		Mad Max: Thunderdome	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Brady	Strokes	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Hollywood Lives		Movie: "The Wild Bunch"					Movie: "The Carpetbaggers"		
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges		Movie: "After the Storm"				Movie: "After the Storm"	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports				Law & Order	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Suddenly			Movie: "Taking Care of Business"		Hawaii Five-0		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	Wolf Blitz	The Point	Larry King Live		Tonight	Spin Room	Sports	Moneyline

WEDNESDAY EVENING MARCH 21, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	7 Days		Star Trek: Voyager		Ent. Tonight	Arrest	Seinfeld	Mad
(32)	Step-Step	Step-Step	Movie: "Free Fall"				Early Edition		700 Club	
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Ed		West Wing		Law & Order		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Drew Carey	Spin City	Drew Carey	The Job	Once and Again		News	
10	News-Lehrer		Metropolitan Opera Presents							
(22)	Up Close Primetime		NHL Hockey: New York Rangers at New Jersey Devils						Sportscenter	
(34)	Miami Vice		Martial Law		Movie: "Another Pair of Aces: Three of a Kind"				Magnificent Seven	
13	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Survivor-Aust. Outback		Big Apple		48 Hours		News	
(41)	NBA Basketball: San Antonio Spurs at Boston Celtics				Sports	Sports	Last Word		National Sports Report	
(15)	Movie: "I Dreamed of Africa"				Sex & City	Arless	Sopranos		On the Record	
(17)	Movie: "The Duke"		Movie: "White Fang"					Movie: "The Three Musketeers"		
(18)	"Full Metal Jacket"		Movie: "Auggie Rose"				Movie: "Boys Don't Cry"			
(20)	Women's College Hockey: ECAC Tournament Championship -- Teams TBA						ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "The Familiar Stranger"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Ripley's Believe It or Not!		WCW Thunder				Ripley's Believe It or Not!	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Brady	Strokes	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Hollywood Lives		Movie: "Operation Pacific"				Movie: "The Sun Also Rises"			
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges		Movie: "Black Dog"				Players	Martin
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		American Justice		Investigative Reports		Law & Order	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Movie: "The Manhattan Project"						News	In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Monneville	Crossfire	Wolf Blitzer	The Point	Larry King Live		Tonight	Spin Room	Sports	Monneville

Events Calendar

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Thursday, March 15

Megalink Mountain Madness Alpine Derby at Sunday River Ski Resort. Register as a single, couple, triple or foursome. Event includes breakfast snacks, a full day of skiing, full lunch, a relay race, prizes, raffle tickets, and après ski party in the Shipyard Brewhaus at Barker Base Lodge. Cost: \$35 per person or \$30 for Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce members. Registration forms at Chamber office or by calling 824-2282.

6 p.m. — Jackson-Silver Post annual Oyster Stew Supper. American Legion members urged to attend with their family and friends. There will be chicken pie for those who do not eat oyster stew. Cost: \$5 for all and those planning to attend must make reservations by sending check to the Post at PO Box 178, Greenwood, ME 04255 or by calling 875-2375 and leaving a message, or by calling Unit President Leah Deegan (824-2477).

12 noon — Keenagers meeting at Paris Hill Bible Church. All persons 50 plus are welcome to attend. Meal served. Call 743-6695 for more information.

Fireworks at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Friday, March 16

7:30 p.m. — Inca Son, Music and Dance of the Andes will present a concert at Bridgton Town Hall to benefit Birthwise Midwifery School Scholarship Fund. Tickets: \$13 in advance at Bridgton Books, Morning Dew Natural Foods, or Birthwise in Bridgton, or Café Chimes in North Conway, or at door, \$15 or \$10 for students or seniors, free for under 12. For information, call Birthwise at 647-5968.

7 p.m. — Audubon Society of New Hampshire monthly program will be slide show featuring the flora, fauna and birds of Trinidad/Tobago by Marion and Marshall Santy. Free. Refreshments. For more information, call (603) 752-1924 or (603) 449-1376.

Saturday, March 17

Sunday River au Ski-A-Thon at Sunday River Cross Country Ski Center. To benefit Maine Handicapped Skiing amid a full-scale Hawaiian party on skis. For more information, call 824-2410.

16th annual Maine Handicapped Ski-A-Thon at Sunday River Ski Resort. For more information, call 824-2440.

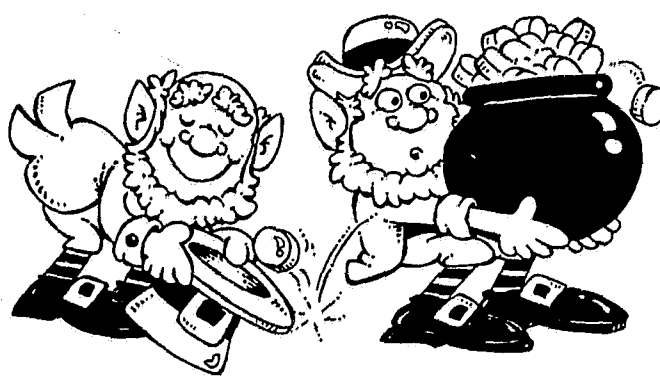
7 to 9 p.m. — Black Mountain Touring Center, Rumford, Moonlight Tours. Cross-country ski to a trailside bonfire for refreshments under the big moon. Cost: \$10 with rentals, \$6 without rentals, \$3 with season pass. All proceeds support the cross-country ski programs of the Greater Rumford Community Center. For more information, call 364-8977.

Fireworks at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Sunday, March 18

SAD44 Community Ski Day at Sunday River Ski Resort. Free skiing, 50 percent discount at cafeterias and restaurants. For more information, call 824-3000.

11th annual Eat the Heat Chili Cook-off and Firefighter's Race at Sunday River Ski Resort. For more information, call 824-3000.



Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Tuesday, March 20

6:30 p.m. dinner, 7:30 p.m. meeting — Oxford County Council, American Legion and Auxiliary meeting at Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills. Dinner will honor past C.C. commanders and presidents at a cost of \$8 per person. Reservations must be made by March 13 by calling Olive Risko at 665-2909 or by sending her a check made out to Jackson-Silver Unit 68, 27 Felt Road, Bryant Pond 04219.

11:30 a.m. — Christian Women United meeting at Country Way Restaurant, South Paris. Speaker: Cheryl Shank of Monmouth. Music by Caroline Taylor of Livermore. Those who have not been contacted but would like a reservation may call Pearl Anderson at 743-5724 by 6:30 p.m. — Trout Unlimited meeting at the River Restaurant, West Paris. For more information, call 743-7461.

Wednesday, March 21

6:30 p.m. — Friends of Telstar High School/Telstar Middle School meeting. Everyone welcome.

10 a.m. to noon — "Plants for Winter Interest" at McLaughlin Foundation Garden & Horticultural Center, South Paris. Garden Manager Kristin Perry will present slide show of hardy perennials and shrubs that will increase wintertime color and texture. \$7.50. Tea, coffee and scones. Please reserve by calling 743-8820.

Thursday, March 22

12:30 p.m. — Junior Achievement (JA) strategic planning luncheon at Sudbury Inn. The session will be led by Preston Jump, branch development director for JA of Maine. All interested individuals in the community urged to join this group and assist in planning JA activities for the year. For reservations, contact Robin Mills at 824-3768 or 824-2669 prior to March 20.

8:30 to 11 a.m. — Telstar Middle School Science Fair at the Telstar gymnasium. The projects will also be on display Wednesday, March 21, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to come either day. Following the competition, there will be an awards assembly starting at 12:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

7 p.m. — Bethel Area Poets Society reading at Café DiCocoa, Main Street.

Fireworks at Sunday River Ski Resort (torch light parade).

Saturday, March 24

10 to 12 a.m. — Celebrating Fatherhood Dad and I Series Creating with Clay (4 and up) at Christian Ridge Pottery, Stock Farm Road, South Paris. A fun sensory experience that will allow everyone to be creative. Escape the mid-winter blues. For more information, call Jonathan Goldberg at 824-3459.

7:30 p.m. — Get-acquainted evening for singles, divorced, widowed, age 21 and over at Willy-Dee's on Route 117 in Harrison. Entertainment, snacks provided. Also pool tables and bar available.

Placements for Bethel Rec. Baseball/Softball Program at Gould Academy gymnasium. Baseball placements: 8 to 11 a.m. Softball placements: 1 to 2 p.m. Registration forms available at Town Office and must be returned on or before March 24 along with child's birth certificate or other proof of birth. Fees: \$10 per player or \$15 per family for Bethel residents. Nonresidents pay \$15 per player or \$25 per family. A late fee will be charged after March 25. Registrations will not be accepted after April 6 unless extenuating circumstances.

Fireworks at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Sunday, March 25

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. — Bake Sale sponsored by the newly formed Youth Group at the North Waterford Church Vestry. Proceeds will benefit a scholarship fund for Pilgrim Lodge.

7:30 to 11:30 a.m. — Bethel Rotary Country Breakfast at the Gould Academy dining hall. Adults: \$5; under 12, \$2.50.

Maine Maple Sunday. For more information, call 836-3606.

Thursday, March 29

7 p.m. — Upton Town Meeting.

Friday, March 30

7:30 p.m. — Darby Hickey, a graduate of Gould Academy and Friends World College, will speak on "Contextualizing the Arab/Israeli Conflict" at the West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. He will provide an historical background and contemporary reflections, after living in Jerusalem, against the backdrop of the present peace process and the revival of the Palestinian intifada. Co-sponsors: Mahoosuc Mountains Worship Group (local Quaker meeting) and the West Parish Congregational Church. For more information, call Emily Ecker at 665-2577.

Saturday, March 31

April Fool's Pole, Paddle and Paw Race at Sunday River Cross Country Ski Center. A fun triathlon (cross-country skiing, canoeing and snowshoeing) and season transition race for two-person teams who traditionally arrive in costume. For information, call 824-2410.

Fireworks at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Saturday, April 7

5 to 6 p.m. — Potluck Public Supper at West Paris Grange Hall, Church Street. Adults, \$5 and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Friday, May 4

6 p.m. — Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Dinner (7 p.m.) at the Grand Summit Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Full buffet dinner for \$25 per person preceded by social hour beginning at 6 p.m. Tables of eight available. Call the Chamber office for reservations (824-2282).

Support Services

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

Exchanges

District Exchange—Open every Monday 1-4 p.m., Thursday, 4-6 p.m. and every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ethel Bisbee School, Bethel. Clothing on sale, food available for those in need.

Community Service Center—Supplies available for emergencies and disaster relief at Thurlow Hall, Perkins Valley Road, South Woodstock. For aid or information call 674-2663.

Abused Women's Advocacy Project

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Alcohol/Drug Treatment

Gateway Recovery Services—Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info. call 207-743-7580.

Veterans' Services

(State/VA Benefits)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ. Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday, cation: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m. p.m. Tel. 392-4841. (new members welcome)

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-8 p.m.; Saturday, 9-1 p.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. (September through May). Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tues., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wed., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thurs., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Fri., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story Upton Library: Saturdays 9 a.m.-11 a.m.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April. Greenstock Snow Sports Snowmobile Club meets at the Greenwood Town Office at 9 a.m. Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. ST/BB at Bethel Fire Station.

First Monday: Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m. (Will meet third Monday for several months to work on comprehensive plan only.)

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday, 7 p.m., Bear River Station.

Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17,

Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place.

Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).

First Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Western Maine Kniters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m. to noon.

First and Third Tuesday: The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAMICAN) Support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.

The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Frank Gibson home, North Road, Bethel, at 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

FACTS (Family/Friends And Consumers Together for Support) 6:30-8 p.m. at Ethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center. Contact Rhonda at 824-3076.

Greenwood selectmen meet at Town Office, 5 p.m.

Second Tuesday: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m. Telstar Alumni Association meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Telstar Library.

Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7 p.m.

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

Cross-Country Quilters meet at the Bethel Library from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Cub Scout Pack 566 meeting, 6 p.m., at Crescent Park School Cafeteria.

Mollycoddett Chorus practice, 6:30-9 p.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Rd., Oxford (Call 824-2468 for info).

First Wednesday: Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7

p.m.

Bethel Area Arachnes Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Potluck luncheon.

Second Wednesday: Gilead selectmen meet at Town Office, 7 p.m. Tax collector also holds hours.

Friends of the West Paris Library, 6:30 p.m. (new members welcome)

First and Third Wednesday: Newry Planning Board, Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Wednesday: Bethel Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Fourth Wednesday: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, H.F. Richardson Tent #19, East Stoneham, K of P Hall, 7 p.m. For more info. call 928-2611.

Women's Fellowship, West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Bethel, 9:30 a.m.

Jefferson Chapter, 89, OES, Bryant Pond, 6:30 p.m.; refreshments, 7:30 meeting. (Except July and Aug.)

Last Wednesday of Sept., Nov., Jan., March and May: Crescent Park School PTA, 6:30-8 p.m.

Babysitting provided.

Every Wednesday: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:45-7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

First Thursday: United Methodist Women meet at the Bethel Methodist Church at 1 p.m.

Bethel Historical Society, Dr. Moses Mason House, 7:30 p.m.

Bethel Recreation Board meeting, 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Second Thursday: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at Crescent Park School conference room, 7:30 a.m.

Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Bethel Lodge #97, AF & AM.

First and Third Thursday: Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Fourth Thursday: Bethel Area Poets Society Reading, 7 to 9 p.m. Call 824-3427 for more info.

Every Thursday: Andover Water District Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m.

West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 6:30 p.m.

Middle and High School Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

First Friday: The Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844.

Third Friday: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.

Every Friday: Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

First Saturday: Western Maine Mountain Jeepers meet at 7 p.m. at Bethel Fire Station.

St. Andrews Society meeting, 10 a.m., Harvest House, Lisbon (business meeting with lunch).

Second Saturday: Woodstock Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. in historical society museum. Open to public.

Last Saturday: Upton Planning Board meets at 9 a.m. at the Town Office.

Seasonal only, Every Saturday: Bethel Farmers' Market, Bethel Area Health Center parking lot, 9 a.m.-12 noon. Locally grown produce and local goods.

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen office or mailed in or phoned in at 824-2444. The deadline is Monday noon.

Church Services

Bethel

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Rick Mowery, 10:00 a.m. worship. Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Men's and women's groups Sunday at 6:00 p.m. Home prayer groups 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays. Youth ministries 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

West Parish Congregational—Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene—Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 824-4028 for transportation), 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 for more info.

Our Lady of the Snows—Mass—Saturday, 5 p.m., 743-2606. Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606.

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Richard Mowery 9 a.m. Sunday school, 10 a.m. worship service, 6 p.m. evening service. 824-2289.

United Methodist—Rev. Walter Brown, Pastor, 10 a.m. Sunday worship. Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m. Thursdays (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union—Rev. John Williams, 9 a.m. worship and church school. For info. call 836-2844 or 836-2882.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school, 10 a.m. worship. 836-2828.

Episcopal House Church—Third Sunday each month at the Bohrs' on 38 Chapman Street, at 4 p.m. For more information, call 824-2913.

Church of Christ—at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends—a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers)—Sunday 9:30 a.m. at 558 E. Bethel Rd. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Marie Hickey (875-2257) for more info.

Worldwide Church of God—10:30 a.m. first, second third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: George Weber, 892-0779

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Peter Laitres, 9:15 a.m. Sunday school, 10:30 a.m. worship service, 6 p.m. evening service. 665-3133.

Unitarian Universalist—Closed for the winter. Open in the spring beginning every first and third, Sunday of each month at 10 a.m.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school, 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)—Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich, 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. Religious education: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m.

Calvary Congregational Church—Winter hours: Morning worship service 10:45 a.m.; Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday evening Praise Service, 7 p.m.; Wed. night, Bible study and prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Route 5, S. Andover, Rev. Duane Waite, 392-1121.

Gorham, N.H.

Assembly of God—Pastor Paul Leiven. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. (603-466-2851).

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union—Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

East Stoneham

East Stoneham Congregational—Rev. Janice Wilcox, 10 a.m. worship in February, April, June, August, October and December. 9 a.m. church school (Oct-June).

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berta Merrill (1999,) and Vicki Rackliffe (2000.)

The Lifetime Achievement Award (formerly the Senior Citizen Award) is a wonderful opportunity to recognize someone for a lifetime of giving. Former recipients have included: Sue Farrar (1997,) Hope Tibbetts (1998,) Don Brooks (1999,) and last year's award was presented to Howard Cole.

There are many individuals who have worked in the Forest Products Industry for decades who have been "pillars" in their business. The Chamber takes great pleasure in the presentation of a Forest Products Industry Award each year and invites nominations. Last year's award went to Ron Snyder, the 1999 award went to Don Bennett and the 1998 recognition was given to Bill Myers.

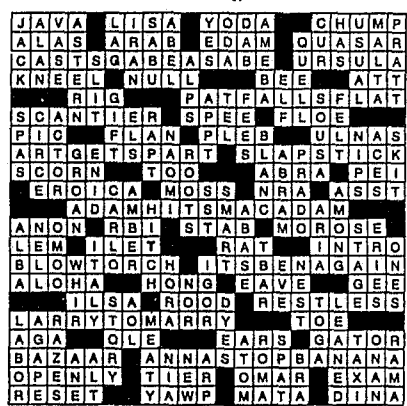
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The Awards Dinner will be held at the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River Ski Resort. Our emcee for the evening will be Bill Cousins of Bethel, who promises an enjoyable evening for all. A full buffet dinner for \$25 per person will start at 7 p.m. preceded by a social hour beginning at 6 p.m. Tables of eight are available for groups wishing to sit together.

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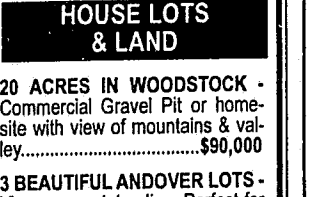
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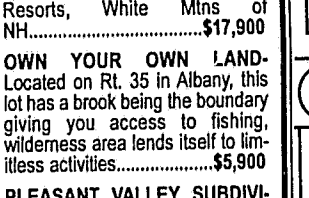
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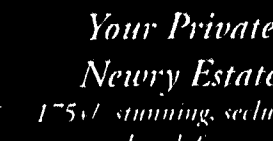
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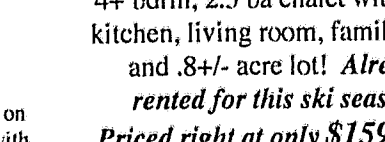


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1.75+/- stunning, secluded acres, brook frontage, southern exposure, grand views and more!
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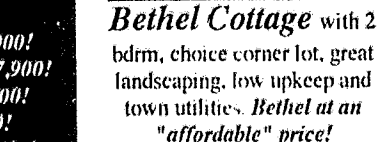
You won't believe this house! 'Don't get fooled by properties often but this is one for the books! Meticulous contemporary with quality throughout, offers 3+ bedrooms, 3 baths, great kitchen, 3+ acres and great Albany tax rate! Over 2,500sf and priced below our market study! Great buy at only \$149,900!



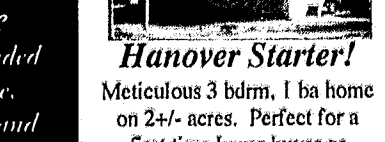
Sunday Valley Acres! Nice 4+ bdrm, 2.5 ba chalet with great kitchen, living room, family room and .8+/- acre lot! Already rented for this ski season!
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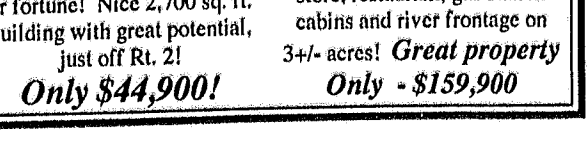
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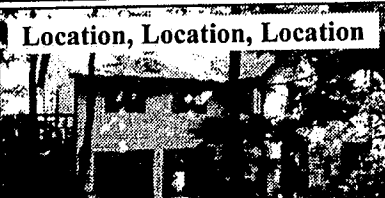
SEASONAL TOWNHOUSE, at Sunday River, trailside. South Ridge B-2. Available now for remainder of ski season, also from then until Nov., refurbished. Dishwasher and fireplace. 207-829-6384
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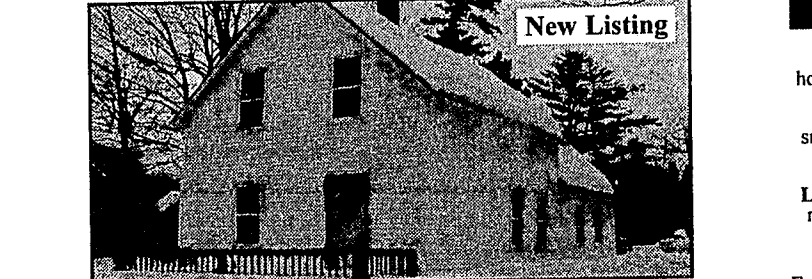
Location, Location, Location
TIMBERLINE DRIVE, SUNDAY RIVER: Hidden amongst the pines on a private 1+/- acre lot, this tri-level contemporary boasts 5 bedrooms, 3 baths and is minutes from the lifts/slopes. Lovely great/living room with woodstove, den/office, attached 2-car garage. \$304,000



JOHNSON PARK, BETHEL: Located off the Intervale Road, nestled amongst the pines on a private 1/2 acre lot, this attractive cabin offers 1 bedroom, a spacious loft and an open living area with fireplace. Short drive to Bethel/Sunday River, Rumford, Greenwood or Paris areas. Year round residence or vacation home. \$79,900



BETHEL: Situated on 3+/- private acres off the Intervale Road, this 2 bedroom home has a tastefully decorated interior, meticulously manicured lawns/gardens and boasts lovely views of the western mtn/river areas. Basement offers potential for living/bedroom areas. Short drive to Village/Skiways. A must see! \$108,000



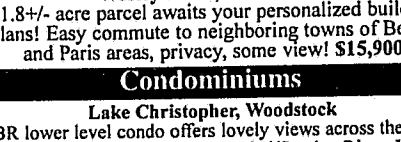
PLEASANT ROAD, GREENWOOD: This two story, early 1900's home has 2 to 3 bedrooms, 1/2 baths, full basement and new vinyl siding. 5 minutes to the slopes of Mt. Abram. Convenient to Bethel and Sunday River. \$63,900



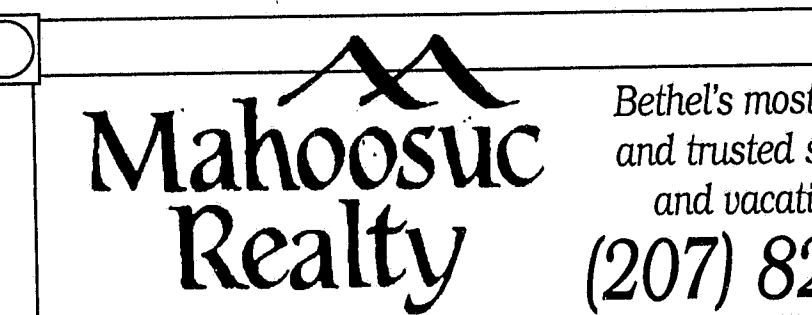
OLD COUNTRY ROAD, WOODSTOCK: Only minutes to Bryant Pond Village, this two bedroom Ranch boasts spacious living areas, an enclosed porch, storage area & an attached 1-car garage. Cozy & comfortable home in a quiet and private location! ONLY \$42,900



MT. ABRAM, GREENWOOD: 2 unit. Charming seasonal slope views & is only a short walk to the lift! Ground level has 1 small BR, 1/2 bath & spacious living area with WS. The upper level boasts 3 lg BRs, 1/2 bath, open living area w/WS, central vac/deck. Separate electrical systems, recent monitor (K-1) heaters, detached storage shed. Most furniture/appliances included. \$95,000 New \$89,900



SHAGG POND ROAD, WOODSTOCK: This attractive quality constructed 1 BR plus loft cabin is situated on 5+/- wooded/private acres. Year round access; Bald Mountain views, only a short walk to Shagg Pond, Big & Little Concord Ponds. Large shed and a 20'x24' detached garage. Hike, hunt, ski, nature paradise. Now \$59,900



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Sunday River Ski Resort: Wonderful custom built home within walking distance and amenities of Sunday River Ski Resort. Spacious 3 BR/2 bath, fully furnished home with mountain views. Fireplace, oversized one car garage. Don't hesitate on this reasonably priced home at \$375,000



Viking Village: Rare opportunity in Viking Village on Barker Mountain Road. 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, fireplace. Excellent rental history and much sought after trail access. \$259,000



DELIGHTFUL HISTORIC PROPERTY: Located on Broad Street in the Historic District of Bethel, this beautifully maintained, architectural detailed home has hardwood floors, two level solarium, extensive perennial gardens. Formerly operated as a B&B with separate theater and a 3 bedroom apartment. Walking distance to Bethel Inn & Country Club. \$389,000.



Comfortable Colonial: This delightful newer home is located in a desirable subdivision close to the Village of Bethel. Inside, bright windows provide sunlight throughout the day. 3 or 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, a wonderfully designed mud room, hardwood floors... all on 2.1+/- acres. \$175,000



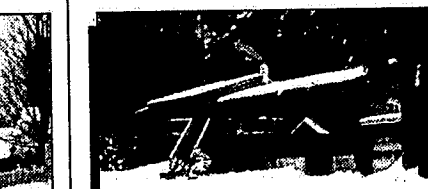
Private Contemporary Home: Attractive contemporary on 2.14+/- acres of land with brook frontage. Great open floor plan with cathedral ceiling and lots of glass. Master bedroom with attached bath and deck overlooking the brook. Two additional bedrooms and second full bath. Additional land available. \$136,000



Immaculate Village Home - Three bedroom home located in a desirable neighborhood in the Village of Bethel. Spacious sunroom attached to the dining room. Large back yard with great garden area. \$129,000



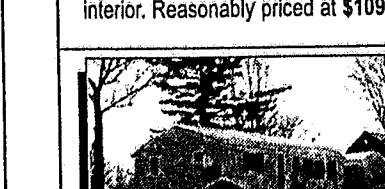
Country Living - Intown Convenience: Updated three bedroom home located on a dead end street in the Village of Bethel. Large kitchen, wonderful screened-in porch, spacious yard, inviting tasteful interior. Reasonably priced at \$109,000



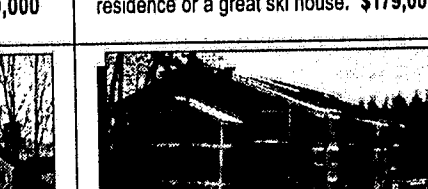
SPACIOUS FAMILY HOME: Located just outside the Village of Bethel on a nice wooded lot. The main house has a nice spacious floor plan, three to four bedrooms, office, family room. The lower level has a spacious one bedroom apartment. Great year round residence or a great ski house. \$179,000



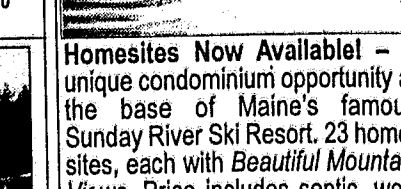
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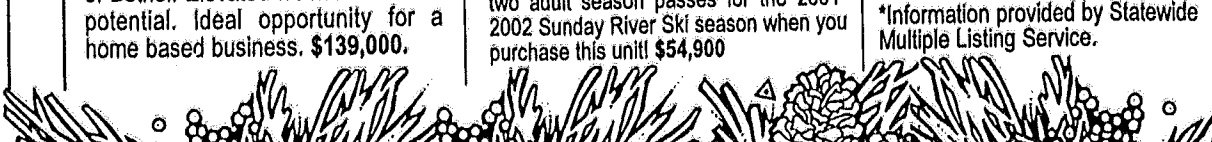
IDEALLY SITUATED: Recently restored property ideally situated on Railroad Street/Route 2 in the Village of Bethel. Elevated lot with unlimited potential. Ideal opportunity for a home based business. \$139,000.



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Obituaries

STEPHEN L. JACOBS

Stephen L. Jacobs, 78, of Dexter, formerly of Bethel, husband of Isabel A. Jacobs, died Feb. 26, 2001 at a Dover-Foxcroft hospital.

Mr. Jacobs was born on July 28, 1922, in Boston, Mass., the son of Helen Foster and Alfred W. Jacobs of Hingham, Mass. He was the 10th generation of the Jacobs family to be raised in Hingham. After graduating from Hingham High School in June 1940, he attended the University of Maine at Orono, graduating in June 1947 with a BS in forestry. However, he retained his affiliation with his original Class of 1944.

He enlisted in the Army Reserve in May of 1942, and was called to active duty with the University of Maine Advanced Infantry ROTC in June 1943. After Infantry basic training at Camp Wheeler, Ga., he graduated from the Armored OCS at Ft. Knox, Ky., in May 1944. He and Isabel Ansell of Dexter were married June 12, 1944 in Dexter.

While serving as an Infantry instructor at Camp Roberts, Calif., he was ordered overseas in December 1944. He served as a rifle platoon leader with Company C, 129th Infantry Regiment, 37th Infantry Division on Luzon, Philippine Islands. His platoon was the first U.S. unit to enter the city of Baguio, the summer capital of the Philippines, in April 1945.

Wounded on June 4, 1945, he returned to duty with the 129th Infantry in August of 1945. He was awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Bronze Star. He returned to the States and mustered out in March 1946. He served in the Maine Army National Guard for eight years resigning with the

rank of captain from Headquarters 240th AAA Group MFG in 1958. After several years working as a forester he started teaching science at S.D. Hanson High School in Buxton in 1956. In August 1958, he joined the faculty of Gould Academy, where he taught physics and forestry. At Gould, he developed one of the first high school forestry courses in the state.

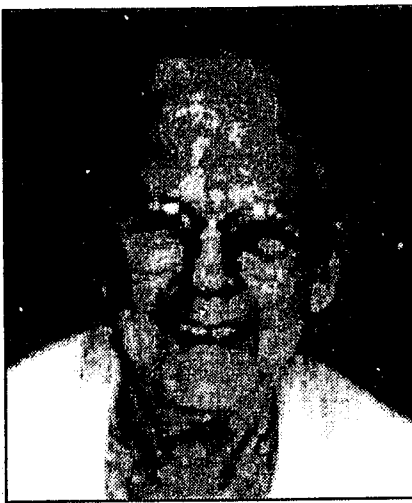
In August 1963, he received a M. Ed. degree from the University of Maine at Orono.

In August 1966, he joined the faculty of Dexter Regional High School in Dexter, where he taught physics and chemistry for 17 years, retiring in June 1982.

He was one of the first trustees of the Dexter Utility District and served on the Dexter Planning Board. He was active in the First Universalist Church in Dexter and sang in its choir for many years. He also sang with the Shiretown Singers of Dover-Foxcroft and in the Dexter Community Chorus.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years of Dexter; three sons and their families; Richard and his wife, Linda Walden, of Modesto, Calif.; Lawrence and his wife, Brenda, of Corinna and Charles and his wife, Linda Smith-Dyer, of Winthrop; seven grandchildren; a brother, Foster, and his wife, Lorraine, of Owls Head.

A service of remembrance was held on Saturday, March 3, at the First Universalist Church in Dexter, with the Rev. Adam Tierney officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the Memorial Fund, First Universalist Church of Dexter, P.O. Box 294, Dexter, ME 04930.



MARION T. BILLINGS

Marion T. (Bean) Billings, 93, of Milton Plantation, widow of Ernest L. Billings, died early Wednesday morning, March 7, 2001 at Ledgeview Living Center, West Paris, where she had been a patient for the past five years.

Mrs. Billings was born in Milton Plantation on July 1, 1907, a daughter of the late Aaron and Maybelle (Parker) Bean. She attended Milton Plantation schools, and was a lifelong resident of that community, until ill health necessitated her entering Ledgeview.

A homemaker for the greater portion of her life, she worked as a housekeeper, and for a short time at Burnham & Morrill, in South Paris. She married Ernest L. Billings on Jan. 17, 1924, and he predeceased her Nov. 29, 1949.

Mrs. Billings was a life member of the Bryant Pond Senior Citizens; the Farm Bureau, was a 4-H leader while her children were active in the group; and was secretary and treasurer of the Greenleaf Cemetery Association of Milton Plantation.

Survivors include four daughters, Florence and her husband Marshall Wing of Westbrook; Lola and her

husband Clayton Crockett of Bethel, Barbara Patterson of Bethel, and Eunice and her husband Lucien Gagne of Auburn; 14 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a sister, Lola (Evelyn) Peare; two sons, Ernest A. and Harvey Billings; a grandson, Larry Patterson; and a great-grandson, Matthew Childs.

Funeral services were held at the Andrews Funeral Home, South Woodstock, on Saturday, March 10. Interment will be at the Abbott Mills Cemetery, South Rumford, in the spring. Friends who wish may make memorial contributions to: Ledgeview Living Center Activity Fund, 141 Bethel Road, West Paris, ME 04289, or Tri-Town Rescue, P.O. Box 275, West Paris, ME 04289.

RAYMOND A. SMALL JR.

Raymond Arlington Small Jr., 71, of South Paris, died Thursday, March 8, 2001 at his home.

Born in Casco on Sept. 19, 1929, the son of Raymond A. Sr. and Myrtle R. Woodsome Small, he graduated from Casco High School in 1949, and Maine Vocational Technical Institute in 1955.

Mr. Small retired in September of 1991 from Maine Machine Products as a manufacturing engineer. He faithfully served his country in the U.S. Army, being stationed in Germany during the Korean War.

He was a member of the South Paris Baptist Church, serving for many years as a trustee. He was chairman of the building committee when the Christian Education Wing was added. He was also a member of the American Society of Tool and Manufacturing Engineers, the Poland Rod and Gun Club, Sebago Rod and Gun Club, was a selectman in the town of Casco and was

a member of the volunteer fire department in Casco.

Mr. Small enjoyed hunting, fishing and woodworking and his family. Church members and friends have benefited from his expertise in carpentry and woodworking.

He married the former Velma Townsend on Aug. 19, 1954.

Survivors include his wife of South Paris; a daughter and her husband, Verna and James Wheeler of Madison Heights, Va.; two sons, Sherman of Bethel and Samuel of Casco; two grandchildren, a brother, Robert of Casco; two sisters, Gloria and her husband Darrell Grant of Windham and Phyllis MacDonald of New Windsor, N.Y.; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother, Vernon; a sister, Olive Flanagan; and an infant son, Daniel.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, March 17, at 2 p.m. at the South Paris Baptist Church. Spring interment will be at Riverside Annex Cemetery in South Paris. Family and friends may attend visiting hours on Friday, March 16, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Weston-Chandler Funeral Home, 45 Main Street, South Paris. Donations in Mr. Small's memory can be made to the South Paris Baptist Church, P.O. Box 282, South Paris, ME 04281 or the American Cancer Society, Box 456, 52 Federal Street, Brunswick, ME 04011.

JOHN GROVER SERVICE

A memorial service will be held for John T. Grover at 1 p.m. on March 17 at the West Bethel Union Church. There will be coffee in Ordway Dining Hall at Gould Academy after the service.

Super Crossword answers

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HAROLD V. WATSON JR.

Harold V. Watson Jr., 80, died Monday, March 12, 2001 at St. Mary's Regional Medical Center in Lewiston. He was a resident of Strafford Avenue in Rumford and had lived in the area all of his life.

Born in Rumford on July 22, 1920, he was the son of Harold V. and Martha E. (Childs) Watson Sr. He was a graduate of Mexico High School with the Class of 1939. He was a veteran of the US Army during WWII in the Medical Corps serving in the South Pacific. He worked for Diamond International Corp. in West Peru until 1942, when he went into the Army. He returned to his job at Diamond International where he worked for 42 years.

Mr. Watson was a life member of Robert Shand Post 1641 VFW and Napoleon Ouellette Post 24 American Legion. He was an avid reader and a Civil War buff and enjoyed life in general.

Mr. Watson was married in Rumford on Dec. 31, 1942, to Margaret Bulger, who survives of Rumford.

Other survivors include a son Harold J. "Hal" Watson and his wife Martha of Rumford; two grandchildren, Michael Nadeau and his wife Theresa of Woodstock, and Michelle Nadeau of Boulder Colo.; one great-granddaughter; one sister in law, Mrs. Mildred Bulger Harlow of Rumford; several nieces and nephews; and several cousins.

A funeral service will be held Thursday, March 15, at 10 a.m. at Meader & Son Funeral Home, Rumford. Interment will be at Greenwood Cemetery, Dixfield, in the spring. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Dirigo High School Industrial Arts Dept., c/o Dirigo High School, 99 Weld Street, Dixfield, ME 04224 in his memory.

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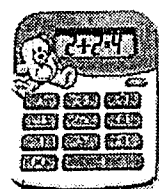
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